



BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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Council Meeting – 12th September 2019

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at The Manor Suite, Blisland Village Hall on the above date.

Ref		Action
230/19	<p>Persons Present/Apologies</p> <p>Persons present: Cllrs Meads, Crozier, Stirling, Lowden, Spencer, Dickin W Yelland– Locum Clerk</p> <p>Absent – Cllr Larsen</p> <p>Apologies received from Cllr Green, Runnalls, Montague and Cornwall Cllr C Batters</p>	
231/19	<p>Declarations of Interest from Members / Dispensations</p> <p>None.</p>	
232/19	<p>Council Meeting: Minutes 8th August 2019</p> <p>RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of Blisland Parish Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed (attached).</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Dickin, seconded Cllr Crozier. Unanimous.</p>	
233/19	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>RECEIVED two presentations from two organisations.</p> <p>Fran Calver from St Breward WI is looking for support from Blisland Parish Council in their campaign to encourage recruitment of first responders. Currently there is only one responder covering the rural areas. They have produced a leaflet covering St Tudy, St Mabyrn, St Breward and Blisland PC's and would like assistance from the PC's in distribution. Wide range of discussion took place amongst members and it was agreed the details could be published on the parish council website. Members will consider a donation and any other action taken under the agenda item at this evening's meeting.</p> <p>Mr Charles Whitehead, on behalf of the PCC, is requesting financial support of 5% or 10% donation of their £10,000 budget from the Parish Council for the renovation of the extension to the graveyard of Blisland Church. No funding is received from external sources. The graveyard in Blisland church is fast approaching its capacity; there are about 7 or 8 spare spaces. Through a generous gift, a field below the church has been gifted as the extension to the graveyard. This now needs to be prepared so that it can be consecrated by the Bishop of Truro. To prepare the ground the Cornish hedge on the north side needs clearing of weeds, the trees that have grown up in the hedge need cutting back substantially, the Cornish hedge may need some rebuilding, a new entrance slope needs to be built and the whole area needs to be cleared of tree stumps and bushes, rotovated and re-seeded. Advising Cornwall Council of the actions being taken with regard to the trees as the graveyard is within the conservation area. We have had advice from two independent tree surgeons and</p>	

234/19	<p>the local Diocesan tree adviser regarding our proposals. Will be going out to four potential local contractors for quotations and we have set a budget of £10,000 for the completion of the works.</p> <p>Cornwall Councillor's report (prev circulated) As well as two individual issues, one of planning and the other on highways, below are three of the matters I have been dealing with for your information and records.</p> <p>1) Junctions within the village - reported by Cathy - and replies have been forwarded to her in connection with the junctions and the enquiry about 'rumble' strips.</p> <p>2) I have been working over the past two weeks on chasing up overdue compensation from Highways England for the two residents, and appear to have finally got things moving for them.</p> <p>3) Cattle Grids. After a lot of chasing, I have had written confirmation that work will take place on the cattle grids at the end of this summer period. Noted.</p>	
235/19	<p>Highways and Footpaths Highways - Introduction of a Slow sign painted on the road at the top of Trewint Hill just past the turning to Waterloo has been submitted on the Highways Scheme EOI form. Footpaths - Members expressed concerns that some landowners are not exercising due diligence by keeping footpaths clear of obstructions in the Parish. RESOLVED to identify ownership of 12 footpaths by delegating Cllr Green to carry out the necessary Land Registry searches at a total cost of £72.00 and further RESOLVED the Parish Council join the Open Spaces Society at a cost of £45.00. Prop Cllr Meads, sec Cllr Cllr Lowden.</p>	
236/19	<p>Planning, Appeals and Enforcement Decisions. Awaiting response from Enforcement reported in August with a possible breach of planning conditions. Clerk to follow up.</p> <p>Clerk's report SLCC smaller councils meeting – Presentation by CC re Climate Change and declaring an emergency. The plan has been adopted. Moving forward CC wants Parish and Town Councils to help develop an action plan. CALC suggested a working partnership so there is clear direction on how PC and TC's, including community groups, can work towards the commitment. Mrs Almond is temporarily covering her husband cleaning the public conveniences.</p>	
237/19	<p>Planning Applications for Consultation RECEIVED the following Planning Applications and RESPOND to the Local Planning Authority accordingly:</p> <p>Application PA19/07097 Proposal Change of use of redundant rural building to a dwelling Location Bests Penquite Blisland Bodmin Cornwall Applicant Mr P Millward Grid Ref 210474 / 75256</p> <p>RESOLVED to respond as follows: The Parish Council OBJECTS to this application for the following reasons:- The physical mass of build is greater than the blueprint of the barn. The materials proposed of a metal roof, partial fibreboard cladding and expanse of glass is not in keeping with a rural location. More appropriate materials would be a slate roof, hung slate tile cladding, window openings in keeping with the vernacular architecture of a barn. Proposed Cllr Dickin, Seconded Cllr Crozier. Unanimous.</p>	
238/19	<p>Blisland Neighbourhood Development Plan Cllr Dickin' report to date. Survey – highlight report</p>	

	<p>195 forms returned – 63% - email bulletin linking to results on website page plus display in shop.</p> <p>Age profile: 70 plus 31% 51 plus 35% i.e. 66% over 50 (of respondents) Under 18 11%</p> <p>High percentage retired. 66% lived in parish over 11 years</p> <p>In terms what people value - strong response that people value our countryside environment eg landscape value, village green, tranquillity, community spirit. Many comments that people do not want things to change.</p> <p>Housing Small overall housing need – small amount of additional affordable housing /housing for older residents. Not complete housing need survey but indication shows something in order of desire for 5 for purchase /6 for rent. 80 people said not in favour of more open market housing Very high agreement (96.8%) that future development should respect natural and historic environment. 88% in favour of restricting second homes.</p> <p>Parking Car park 115 yes 64 no Key parking problem areas cited = shop 17 school 15</p> <p>Transport – few people reported having problems personally but recognised that it can be an issue for those without access to a car (16 yes 169 no). High support for community minibus /sharing with St B and 33 ticked box to say they would volunteer some help.</p> <p>Broadband – approx. 11% respondents don't have broadband 21% do not have broadband which meets their needs.</p> <p>Heritage – formulating some draft policies Landscape character assessment – training in OCT Building Design guidance and rounding off settlement boundary – to draft Agriculture/nature conservation – to research</p> <p>Employment/ tourism Infrastructure eg Broadband –other facilities and amenities Aim for October PC meeting to propose the objectives and key themes for the NDP template.</p> <p>239/19 Cornwall's Partnership Approach to Preventing Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Draft Strategy 2020-2025 Noted.</p> <p>240/19 Blisland Parish Council Portfolio Holders Sadly Cllr Crozier wishes to relinquish her duties as the portfolio holder for Communications/Social Media. Currently there is no replacement.</p> <p>241/19 Finance Report To RECEIVE the 12th September 19 pay schedule and APPROVE BACS authorisation for clerk to pay To APPROVE the EDF payment made by BACS on the 29th August 19 To RECEIVE and APPROVE the bank reconciliation as at the 31st August 2019 Prop Cllr Meads, sec Cllr Dickin</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 1615 1313 1648"> <tr> <td>August Income: £847.72</td> <td>September Expenditure: £4605.26</td> </tr> </table> <p>242/19 Institute Management A report from the Chairman Mary Riddiford July Summer Craft Fayre -- £139.90 raised through fees for tables, raffle and teas and coffees. Christmas Craft Fayre planned for December 7th. Summer Exhibition – raised £561.28 after expenses. The exhibition displayed a range of wonderful works by local artists and artisans and was widely appreciated by the local and wider community.</p> <p>Bookings Blisland Art Group held a successful exhibition at the end of August. It is planning another for next year. A new Tai Chi and Qi Gong class is starting next week. There has been a great deal of interest in this class and we wish it well. Into Bodmin is holding a meeting next week</p>	August Income: £847.72	September Expenditure: £4605.26	
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	<p>The NDP have several meetings booked Blisland Bell ringers Table top sale booked for 13th Oct Private booking Carols Round the Tree in December To investigate costs for renewal of bunting, installation of WiFi and a card machine. The clerk to ask Tammy if there is a key to the filing cabinet.</p>	
243/19	<p>Highways Discussed under minute no 235/19</p>	
244/19	<p>Temple Telephone Box DEFERRED. To agenda for October meeting.</p>	
245/19	<p>Parish Footpath Survey Taken under minute no 235/19</p>	
246/19	<p>Grass Verge- Pen Tor This is a Highways matter. Noted.</p>	
247/19	<p>First Responder RESOLVED to donate £25.00 to the St Breward WI to assist in their printing costs. To publish details on the PC website. Prop Cllr Lowden, sec Cllr Spencer.</p>	
248/19	<p>Trees on Village Green Survey required for trimming of some minor overhanging growth on four trees. Cllr Crozier to report back to FC with costs.</p>	
249/19	<p>Village Directional Signage Quotations received of £2855.00 plus vat and £1650.00 plus vat for a directional finger post sign. Cllr Crozier to obtain further clarification ref the lower quote received.</p>	
250/19	<p>Clean Cornwall Grant The clerk reported the grant has now been received. To re-imburse expenses to Cllr Crozier as 12th September 2019 pay schedule approved.</p>	
251/19	<p>Tourism Development Project Grant Cllr Meads and Pete Keen are close to finalising the locations and costings required.</p>	
252/19	<p>Blisland Green and Surroundings The clerk to contact Cllr Runnalls to follow up quotes for painting the swings and benches.</p>	
253/19	<p>Forthcoming training/events Clerk to check dates, times and venue of Chairmanship training booked in October 2019.</p>	
254/19	<p>Reports/Feedback from Councillors from training/meetings/external bodies Nothing to report.</p>	
255/19	<p>Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 10th October 2019 To contact the Locum Clerk with any items to agenda.</p>	
	<p>Meeting closed 20:50</p>	