

**BLITHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting dated 5 January 2018**

**Present:** Mr A Vernon (Chairman), Mr S Hulme, Mrs P Massey, Mr D Leech, Mr P Atkins, Mrs D Clarke (Clerk) and from the Parish Mr P Riley, Mr S Ashcroft

**Minutes:** Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting dated 2 November 2017 were agreed and signed. The minutes of the Planning Applications Meeting dated 28 November 2017 were agreed and signed.

**Matters Arising**

Stafford Borough Council – Call for Sites and Supplementary Planning Documents Consultation – Reply from Colwich Parish Council stating that it would be likely to oppose proposals for development on the Colwich side of the shared border.  
Staffordshire County Council – Definitive Map and Statement for ESBC – Reply received from Rights of Way Assistant, Staffs CC. A positive and helpful response was received from Ordinance Survey, relating to incorrect map of Admaston area being used by SCC and ESBC in planning decisions.  
Lengthsman – It was proposed by Councillor Leech and seconded by Councillor Hulme that the Parish Council employ the Lengthsman for 50 hours per year on an ad hoc basis.

**Financial**

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Payments Made

Blithfield PCC - donation towards maintenance of Churchyard	200.00
Well Medical Ltd – replacement defibrillator pads	77.82
Mr K Massey – painting of telephone kiosk	148.20
SB Windows Ltd – purchase of two new notice boards	460.00

Budget 2018/2019 – Precept – No increase in Parish Council tax

**Any Other Business**

Concern was expressed that the broken Newton village sign had not yet been replaced. Councillor Atkins asked if it would be possible to have it re-positioned – the Clerk to make enquiries.

**Public Questions**

A question was asked as to why bulk tank waste collection vehicles were again using the roads in the Parish. The Chairman replied that it was a temporary arrangement over the Christmas period.

**Next Meeting**

The next Ordinary General Meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday 2 March 2018.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

Signed ..... Date .....