

BLITHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting dated 7 November 2019

Present: Mr P Atkins (Chairman), Mr S Hulme (Vice Chairman), Mr A Vernon, Mrs P Massey, Mr K Massey, Mrs D Clarke (Clerk) and from the Parish Mr P Riley, Mr A Brown

Minutes: Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting dated 5 September 2019 were agreed and signed. Minutes of the Planning Applications Meetings dated 26 September 2019 and 10 October 2019 were agreed and signed.

Planning Applications

P/2019/00995 Crown reduction by 1-2 metres and crown raise to 2.5metres to 3 yew trees (T1, T2, T4), crown reduction by 2-4 metres and crown raise to 2.5 metres to 1 yew tree (T3), crown reduction by 3-4 metres and crown raise to 2.5 metres to 1 sycamore(T5), crown reduction by 2-3 metres and crown raise to 2.5 metres (T6) and remove lowest limb over drive to one cedar (T7) (TPO 60 and 67), Bagot Lodge, Blithfield Hall Drive, Blithfield Hall, Admaston – ESBC grants consent 16 October 2019.

P/2019/01293 Crown lifting by 10% and crown reduction in height by 33% of 1 Oak tree and 2 Cherry trees, Paris Flat, The Old Rectory, Blithfield Church Road, Admaston – no objection from Blithfield Parish Council.

P/2019/01285 Prior Notification for the erection of an agricultural building for the storage of grain, straw and farm machinery, Lower Booth Farm, Booth Lane, The Blythe – ESBC has no objections to the proposal as submitted.

Financial

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Current Account	8,231.04
Deposit Account	2,213.27
Village Hall Account	284.68
<u>Payments Received</u>	
ESBC	2,384.50
<u>Payments Made</u>	
Mrs D Clarke – Expenses to 31 August 2019	74.10
Mrs D Clarke - Half year salary to 30 September 2019	875.16

Correspondence

ESBC – Supplementary Planning Documents for Consultation (via email) – this was noted
Staffordshire CC – Grit Bins (via email) – this was noted. It was reported that the grit bin outside Rectory Farm on Lea Lane had been damaged and was surrounded by vegetation.

WCCTV – Redeployable CCTV (via email) – this was noted

HS2 Phase 2a community engagement update (via email) this was noted

ESBC – Consultation for Public Space Protection Orders (via email) – this was noted

Staffordshire Police Report (via email) this was noted

SPCA – Annual General Meeting – the Chairman to attend

ESBC – Consultation on Statement of Licensing Policy including a Review of the Cumulative Impact Policy (via email) – to be deferred to the January meeting

Any Other Business

Concern was expressed regarding the speeding cars through Newton. It was agreed, in the first instance, to purchase a 'Community Speed Watch Area' sign.

Attention was drawn to the growth of trees and vegetation overhanging the roads in parts of Newton Hurst Lane, Dapple Heath and School Lane, Admaston.

It was reported that telephones and broadband would share masts in the future.

It was decided that a letter of congratulation be sent to a parishioner who has been nominated to be High Sheriff of Staffordshire from April 2020.

A discussion took place regarding speeding motor bikes and also cars across the causeway over the reservoir, and the possibility of reducing the speed limit in this area.

Public Questions

The meeting was informed that our Parish defibrillator details have been added to the national network called 'The Circuit' and is connected to the West Midlands Ambulance Service.

Next Meeting

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Blithfield Parish Council is scheduled to take place on Thursday 9 January 2020.

With there being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8 p.m.

Signed



Date

9/1/20