



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CORONATION HALL AT 7.00pm ON MONDAY 12TH AUGUST 2024.

PRESENT:	Councillors Mary Sheppard (Chairman), ID Clarke, Jo Gower-Crane, Ann Davies and Andy Scarisbrick (Vice-chairman).
IN ATTENDANCE:	Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk)
WARD COUNCILLORS:	None
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:	None

Before the meeting was convened, members of the public were invited to speak.

i) **Members of the public**

None.

ii) **Beat Manager's Report**

The written report forming part of the agenda papers was noted.

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iii) **Ward Councillors' report**

None

Clr Sheppard opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

The meeting was convened.

380.1 To receive apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

Apologies were received and accepted from Clr Steve Sugg.

380.2 Declarations of Interest

None.

380.3 To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 8th July 2024.

Resolved: To approve the Parish Council minutes of 8th July 2024.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

380.4 Reports from Working Parties/Committees

Councillors considered the notes of the Open Spaces Working Group meeting of the 1st August 2024. It was noted that issues requiring resolution would be encapsulated in a report to the next meeting of Council.

380.5 Reports from Outside Bodies/Conferences/Training

Councillors considered a report of Cllr Gower-Crane regarding a series of events attended during July 2024.

380.6 Training and Events

The availability of Scribe and NALC training events was noted.

380.7 Financial/Staffing Matters

i) To authorise bills for payment for August.

Resolved: To authorise the payments for August of £5,756.18.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

(Councillors ID Clarke and Ann Davies were duly authorised to action the online payments)

ii) To note the Parish Council's end of July budget position, bank balances and bank reconciliations.

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380.8 Report of the Parish Clerk

1. Parish Clock Plaque

Councillors noted that the Parish Clock dial had been removed and was in the process of being restored. A commitment had been given to providing a plaque recognising the efforts and financial donations of parishioners and local businesses in raising funds for the restoration work.

Resolved: That the Open Spaces Working Group be requested to consider location, size and style and recommend potential solutions to the next meeting of Council.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

2. Works to the Wall Adjacent to the Toilet Block

Councillors noted that further work had identified the need for the end of the wall to be finished in natural stone rather than reconstituted stone quoins. The contractor had been asked to price for a variation accordingly and had identified a potential increase in cost of £400 – 800 (Net of VAT) dependent upon the extent of any additional work involved.

Some concerns were expressed regarding these additional costs. However, it was noted that even at the upper end of the potential additional costs, the total cost of the scheme of works was comparable with the lowest quotes received following the procurement process conducted earlier in the year.

Resolved: That the Clerk be authorised to issue a contract variation to enable the scheme of works (to the wall adjacent to the toilet block) to be completed entirely in natural stone, subject to the additional cost not exceeding £800 (Net of VAT).

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (majority – Cllr Sheppard voted against the recommendation and requested that her vote be recorded)

3. Annual Play Area Inspection Report

Councillors noted the outcomes of the independent inspection which had taken place of 22nd July 2024. A number of recommendations were contained within the report but none which required urgent action.

Resolved: That the outcome of the annual play area inspection be noted and any recommendations be considered in the context of proposals to redevelop the play area.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

4. Replacement Noticeboards

Councillors noted that formal approval had been obtained from North Somerset Council for siting of noticeboards on North Somerset Council land. It was further noted that the Council would be required to use a North Somerset accredited contractor for installation and that the Clerk had commenced a procurement process. The final design for the noticeboards was presented to Councillors. This design would provide for information panels to be added at some future stage and the oak would be finished in a protective oil. The cost for four noticeboards would be £5,420 (Net of VAT).

Resolved: That the Council authorises the acquisition of four noticeboards from Acorn Workshops in the amount of £5,420.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

380.9 Update report in respect of previous planning applications.

Cllr Clarke provided a verbal update in respect of the following applications:

23/P/0979/MOD <u>Modification and discharge of obligation in the S106 agreement in Paragraph 3.2 of Schedule 2 for Public Open Space Provision relating to Outline planning permission 19/P/0835/OUT</u> Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon BS24 0AU	Not yet determined by North Somerset Council
23/P/2305/FUL <u>Proposed erection of 9no. 4 bed detached dwellings.</u> Land Off Purn Way Bleadon BS24 0QF	Not yet determined by North Somerset Council
24/P/0713/FUH <u>Proposed replacement of the existing entrance gate and adjoining fence panels with reconstituted stone dressed with sandstone and vertical timber fence slats between stone piers.</u> Truby Tor Roman Road Bleadon BS24 0AB	Approved by North Somerset Council
24/P/1075/TPO <u>T1: Remove epicormic growth from the main stem.</u> Charmaine Celtic Way Bleadon BS24 0NA	Approved by North Somerset Council
24/P/1106/FUL <u>Proposed construction of 1no. new single storey dwelling.</u> South Hill Cottages Bridgwater Road Bleadon	Refused by North Somerset Council

380.10 Planning Applications

[Request to discharge condition number 34 \(Bat and Light Scheme\) on application 19/P/0835/OUT](#)

Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon Weston-super-Mare BS24 0AU

Ref. No: 24/P/1355/AOC | Received: Thu 04 Jul 2024 | Validated: Thu 04 Jul 2024 | Status: Registered

Resolved: That the application be noted.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

380.11 Date of the next meeting

Parish Council Meeting Monday 9th September 2024, 7:00pm (Coronation Hall, Bleadon)

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm

.....Chairman

.....Date