

DRAFT Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Blackawton Parish Council held on Tuesday 2 April 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Blackawton Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Rake (Chairman), Joyce (Vice-Chairman), Coe, Mallyon, Perry, and Thomas were present as were A Thom (Clerk) and one member of the public.

56/19 Apologies

None received.

57/19 Declarations of Interest

None declared

58/19 Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the Meeting held on 5 March 2019 were approved.

59/19 Report from District Councillor

District Cllr Bastone's written report was read by Cllr Rake.

The 2019 Capital Strategy, investment strategy and Treasury Management Strategies have been approved. The Council plans to incur up to £60 million of capital expenses over the medium to longer term for: a new build development in Kingsbridge which would be let to a major U.K operator, acquisition of approximately 10 acres of commercial land in Sherford, and the Health and Well-Being Hub in Dartmouth. The Strategies also include £15.291 million to enable the immediate roll out of: office development on a brown field site in Totnes, construction of 7 chalet style beach huts at Beesands to also include a new play Park, single deck of additional parking at Shadycombe Car Park Salcombe, construction of 5 employment units in Batson, and £8.5 million for community housing.

The Joint Local Plan has been adopted, as has the Stoke Fleming Neighbourhood Plans.

Contaminated re-cycling costs money. Please re-cycle clean products.

60/19 Report from County Councillor

Deferred in the absence of County Cllr Brazil.

61/19 Planning Issues

61/19.1 SHDC Planning Approvals/Refusals

To following decisions were noted:

- 3816/18/ARC Development at SX 8052 5109, Town Farm School Lane Blackawton TQ9 7BE. Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 7 and 13 following grant of planning consent 06/0992/14/F. Discharge of condition Approved.
- 0232/19/FUL Land at Pasture Cross East Allington Totnes TQ9 7QE. Erection of agricultural storage building. Conditional Approval.
- 0562/19/AGR Grimpstone Farm Blackawton Devon TQ9 7DW. Application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development – proposed agricultural building. Ag Determination details not required.

61/19.2 Review of New Applications

- 3878/18/VAR Development At Sx 8052 5109, Town Farm School Lane, Blackawton, Devon. Variation of condition 1 (approved plans) following grant of planning permission 0318/18/VAR (Application for variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) following grant of planning permission 06/0992/14/F (Erection of 60no. dwellings, employment floorspace, highway layout, incidental open space, car parking, playspace for Blackawton Primary School and multi-use games area)).
Support.
- 0620/19/FUL Watsons Barn, Park Lane, Blackawton Devon TQ9 7AA: Demolition of existing barn and erection of dwelling.
Support.
- 0946/19/FUL Higher Dreyton Farm, Blackawton, Devon, TQ9 7DG. Proposed replacement dwelling and garage including site works, access and landscaping (Resubmission of 3680/18/FUL).
Support.
- 0752/19/VAR Hillfield Village Bugford Cross To Yeomans TQ6 0LX. Application for removal of condition 8 of planning permission 0762/18/VAR (Residential accommodation restricted to holiday accommodation).

No Comment.

- 0749/19/VAR Hillfield Village Bugford Cross To Yeomans TQ6 0LX. Application for removal condition 8 of planning permission 0762/18/VAR (Residential accommodation restricted to holiday accommodation).

No Comment.

- 0748/19/VAR Hillfield Village Bugford Cross To Yeomans TQ6 0LX. Application for removal of condition 10 following grant of planning permission 06_51/2102/06/F (Residential accommodation restricted to holiday accommodation).

No Comment.

- 0747/19/VAR Hillfield Village Bugford Cross To Yeomans TQ6 0LX. Application for removal condition 3 following grant of planning permission 51/0011/05/F (Residential accommodation restricted to holiday accommodation).

No Comment.

- 0746/19/VAR Hillfield Village Bugford Cross To Yeomans TQ6 0LX. Application for removal of condition 2 of planning consent 06_51/0561/01/F (Residential accommodation restricted to holiday accommodation).

No Comment.

- New premises licence application from Blackawton Community Shop Association Ltd for Blackawton Community Shop, Oakleigh Cottage, Main Street, Blackawton, TQ9 7BG. The application is for the supply of alcohol for consumption off the premises Monday to Friday 08:00 – 18:00, Saturday 09:00 – 13:00, Sunday 10:00 – 12:00.

Support.

- New premises licence application from Alexia Motor Yacht Charters LLP for Alexia Charters, Princess S65 Motor Yacht, Noss at Dart Marina, Dartmouth. The application is for the supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises Monday to Sunday 12:00 – 22:00.

No Comment.

62/19 French Furze Project

BPC confirmed that it does not want ownership of the car park with the current S106 restrictions. The Clerk will also contact the School to confirm that the School does not wish to take ownership of the car park as initially planned.

63/19 French Furze Business Units

Cllr Rake reported on a meeting held with Linden Homes to discuss the business units. Estimated costs have been provided: to construct the final three units to completion, and to construct the final three units as a 'shell'. Linden Homes plans to finish the development in December 2019.

Cllr Thomas discussed the process to register a Community Interest Company to own the business units. The CIC Limited by Guarantee with larger membership is the most appropriate form. There are standard drafts for the Articles of Association and Memorandum of Association. The CIC 36 requires a description of how the entity will benefit the community. It is likely that eligible people will become a member by paying a pound. The meetings and procedures requirements should be fairly straightforward. It was agreed that Cllrs Rake and Thomas will be placeholder directors. A budget of up to £500 was approved for professional advice to assist with registration if required. The documents might specify Parish councillors on the board.

The meeting with Linden Homes discussed the second set of specifications. The drawings for the units were not available at the meeting and have since been provided. The units have not been built with the levels in the approved plans. It was confirmed that BPC wants the roof level to drop in line with the new floor levels. This will reduce the visual impact and improve the visual amenity. The Clerk will contact Linden Homes with this feedback.

Linden Homes has agreed to paint one-way line markings on the car park.

64/19 Blackawton Cemetery

The Memorial Management Policy was approved as circulated.

65/19 Finance

65/19.1 Update on Current Financial Position

The report which showed a balance of £54,403.12 and unearmarked reserves of £6,916.46 was received.

65/19.2 Payments Made, Due and Received

The following payments were approved:

- SHDC Weed-spraying £160.80
- Clerk March salary & pension £472.84
- HMRC PAYE March £15.00
- Blackawton Village Hall Hire September to March £105.00

The receipt of £250 from Allwood of Totnes for an interment was noted.

65/19.3 Parish Council Insurance Renewal

The email from the insurance broker regarding the total value of assets to be insured was discussed. It was agreed that the insured asset value would be increased to £30,000 and that this would be sufficient insurance. The payment of £280 for the renewal premium was approved.

It was stated that grit bins on Park Lane, Cheavestone Lea and Forces Road belong to BPC. The Asset Register will be updated.

65/19.4 Works to a Stile on a Public Footpath

No invoice has been received from Devon County Council's contractor for works to repair to a stile. The Clerk will follow this up. Cllr Rake will remind the owner of the stile that they are liable.

65/19.5 Clerk's Overtime Claim

Invoice BPC06 for five hours overtime was approved.

66/19 Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted:

- 25/3/19 Copy of correspondence regarding refusal of 3055/18/PDM
- 27/3/19 Thank-you from the Blackawton Playing Fields Committee for grant to pay insurance.

67/19 Reports from Parish Councillors and Wardens

Cllr Perry reported that the lane between Millcombe and Bow Bridge is very potholed and that the potholes have been reported. Cllr Perry will liaise with DCC. The grit bin on Park Lane is leaking. The grit bin at Lilac Cottage has been damaged. The Clerk will notify DCC.

Cllr Coe has successfully removed three bags of can from behind the Cemetery hedge. There is a gap between two hedges. The Clerk is to ask the Cemetery contractor for a price to remove the inner hedge. Consideration of this expense will be on the May Agenda.

Cllr Coe will talk to the P3 Officer about footpath signs with names.

Cllrs Rake and Joyce will attend BPC's Whist and Euchre rota on 8 April.

The Clerk will follow up the timing of DCC's clearance of drains in the village.

Cllr Rake noted that this is the last meeting of the current Parish Council. He thanked the Councillors for their commitment and dedication.

68/19 Annual Parish Meeting 21 May 2019

Cllr Joyce has done the Annual Parish Meeting invitations and will distribute them. The APM will discuss the management of the business units and the use of future surpluses from the business units.

69/19 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Tuesday 14 May 2019 at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. The Open Forum will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, and then the business of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council.

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