

BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council held at the Blackwell Community Centre, Woburn Close, Blackwell on Monday 10 January 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor D G B Bullock (Chairman)

Councillors: I G Cox: Mrs S A Gray (from 7.30 p.m.) J Lomas: C R Moesby (from 7.40 p.m.): I J A Newham: R J Sainsbury: B Stocks: A F Tomlinson: Mrs P R Wilkinson and N J B Willens.

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ALSO PRESENT

WPC. Lorna Evans, Derbyshire Constabulary, and nine Parishioners

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OPEN FORUM

Mr B Clarkson and **Mr D Purdy, Blackwell** asked Council Members if they had any information with the withdrawal of Bus Service 99 from Blackwell through Hilcote. They were advised by the Chairman that an indication had been given that an alternative bus service might be provided for Hilcote only.

Mrs D Willens, Newton advised Council Members she had been advised by a resident that footpath 24 had been partially blocked by fencing.

It was agreed the Clerk contact the Footpaths Officer, Derbyshire County Council requesting an investigation be carried out.

Mr A Goodison, Blackwell advised Council Members of the potential removal of the analogue television ariel from Woburn Close, Blackwell and be replaced by a digital disk and that the bungalows in Woburn Close were likely to be affected by this action.

Councillor A F Tomlinson advised Mr Goodison would investigate his complaint and advise him accordingly.

Miss P Barnes, Newton requested the Councils support for the amendment of the route of Stagecoach Bus Service No 1 Alfreton to Mansfield to go via Littlemoor Lane, Newton, and not Huthwaite.

It was agreed the Clerk write to Stagecoach, the Coach Operator outlining Miss Barnes concerns.

Mr L Walker, Hilcote expressed concern with regard to the drains outside his property and it was agreed the Clerk write to the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council, asking them to investigate his complaint.

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POLICE MATTERS

PC Lorna Evans attended the Meeting and advised Council Members of:

1. Crime Figures to 31 December 2010.
2. Nuisance incidents to 31 December 2010.
3. The next Police Drop-In Surgeries would be held at:
 - a. Blackwell Community Centre Thursday 13 January 2011
10.00 a.m./11.30 p.m
 - b. Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre – Friday
21 January 20.11 10.a.m./11.00 a.m
 - c. Newton Methodist Church 5 February 2011
10.00.a.m./12 noon.

RESOLVED that PC Lorna Evans be thanked for her attendance and report.

The Clerk reported for information an invitation had been received from the Chief Constable and Chair of the Police Authority to a Public Engagement Event which would be held on Thursday 20 January 2011, the Winding Wheel, Holywell Street, Chesterfield.

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR C R MOESBY

County Councillor C R Moesby advised Council Members:

1. Gritting Programme, Presentation, Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council, County Offices Matlock Tuesday 11 January 2011.
2. Vacancy for School Governors at Tibshelf School/Newton Primary School.
3. Replacement of missing 30MPH sign Newtonwood Lane, Newton.
4. Proposed New Tibshelf School – Progress Report.
5. Outstanding work at Five Pits Trail Silverhill Link, Newton.
6. Bus Service 99 – consultation period expires 31 January 2011.

RESOLVED County Councillor Clive Moesby be thanked for his attendance and report.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S J Thorpe.

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**CODE OF CONDUCT/REGISTER OF MEMBERS
INTERESTS/HOSPITALITY REGISTER**

The Chairman of the Council reminded Council Members of the principals of those holding public office which were selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, leadership and these principles form part of the new ethical framework guidance

issued by the Standards Board for England. The Chairman also reminded Council Members that Members must, within twenty-eight days of receiving any gift or hospitality or materials, benefits or advantage over the value of £25.00 relating to or arising out of their position as a Member, provide written notification to the District of Bolsover Monitoring Officer of the existence and nature of that gift or hospitality, material, benefit or advantage.

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MINUTES

The Minutes of the re-arranged Council Meeting held on 13 December 2010 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairmans Announcements

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ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from a resident of North Street, Newton asking the Council to sell part of the Allotment Plot rented by him which adjoined his property.

RESOLVED the Council had adhere to its previous decision made on 8 May 2000 (Minute No. 39/2000 refers) not to allow Allotment land to be sold.

Councillor N J B Willens declared a personal interest in the foregoing item and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

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HIGHWAYS

Several Members commented on the number of potholes which had appeared on various roads within the Parish. It was agreed that any complaints be referred to the Clerk who would refer them to the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council.

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PLAYING FIELDS

There were no reports with regard to Playing Fields.

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FOOTPATHS

Following a request from several Members of the Council

RESOLVED the Clerk contact the Dog Warden with a request that Dog Fouling Posters be affixed to various lamp posts within the Parish of Blackwell.

Councillor I J A Newham advised Council Members that the Public Bridleway, Gloves Lane, Blackwell, at the Tibshelf end become impassable

RESOLVED the Clerk write to the Footpaths Officer Derbyshire County

Council requesting an investigation regarding the state of the Public Bridleway, Gloves Lane, Blackwell.

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ACCOUNTS

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for payment totaling £4868.31 and it was agreed these be paid. The Clerk also furnished for Members information:

1. Copy of the Council's Bank Reconciliation Statement.
2. Copy of the Council's Audit Form confirming the Councils current financial position.
3. Copy of the Council's Bank Statement.

The foregoing documents conform to the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003 (SI No. 553).

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BOLSOVER LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

Councillor N J B Willens reported for information that the next Meeting of the Parish Councils Liaison Group would take place on 17 January 2011.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

The Clerk reported receipt of the following Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circulars:

1. 57/2010 – Section 137 Expenditure 2011/2012 (£6.22p per elector).
2. 58/2010 – Future of the Standards Framework for Members of Local Authorities in England.
3. 59/2010 – The Localism Bill.

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QUALITY PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL SCHEME

The Chairman reported for information:

1. The Council Website was functioning satisfactorily.
2. Any further news items for the January edition of the Newsletter to be submitted to him by new later than 14th January 2011.

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PLANS

There were no Plans.

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CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported receipt of letters from ;

1. Head Teacher, Westhouses Primary School thanking the Council for its Annual Pantomime.
2. Roseland Community Energy Trust Wind Farm project. A Consultation Event would be held at the Post Mill Centre, South Normanton on Tuesday 1 February 2010 at 10.00 a.m.

214/2010

ENGINE RECLAMATION SITE

There were no reports with regard to the Engine Reclamation Site.

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PRECEPT

RESOLVED that a Special Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council be held to discuss the Precept for the financial year 2011/2012 and be held at Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre. New Street, Hilcote, on Monday 17 January 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

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MEETING

RESOLVED the next Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council be held at Newton Community Centre, Newton on Monday 7 February 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

The Meeting concluded at 7.55 p.m.