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Minutes of the Meeting of Blyton Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 24th April 2017 immediately following the Parish Meeting

Present: Councillor O Bates (Chairman)
Councillor B Barley
Councillor J Daubney
Councillor M Harrison
Councillor R Turnbull
Councillor C Quirke
Councillor J De Vita
Miss J Bates (Clerk)

1/04/17 Apologies and reasons given

Apologies were received from Councillor Clark & Councillor Hedges with reasons accepted.

2/04/17 To receive Declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to receive any applications for dispensation.

No declarations

3/04/17 To approve the minutes of the last Meeting held on 27.03.2017

It was proposed that the minutes were accepted by Councillor Barley and seconded by Councillor Turnbull, with all in favour, it **WAS RESOLVED** to sign the minutes.

4/04/17 Clerks Report on Matters Outstanding

Further details have been submitted to the Co-operative bank still waiting to hear back
Dog Fouling – as reported in the Public meeting two residents have been reported and will be issued with a letter and the link for reporting directly to WLDC to be put onto facebook and the website Blyton Park – WLDC feel there is nothing for them to say at present and suggested a meeting with Richard Usher, who will now be attending our meeting in May. Because of the concerns raised in tonight's public meeting the clerk to compile a response for facebook to be checked by Councillor's before being published, to see if the feelings of all the village can be gauged.

5/04/17 Planning

WLDC 135710: To retain change of use of land for the siting of a residential caravan, alterations to existing building to form garaging & erection of gates, gatepost & fencing – **PERMISSION REFUSED** & enforcement notice served.

Councillor Quirke queried if there was a timescale for the enforcement, clerk to enquire.

6/04/17 Correspondence

To note general Correspondence :-

7/04/17 Financial Matters – to approve and sign the financial statement

The Annual Governance statement 2016/17 was duly completed. All accounts are now with Wright Vigar, the Audit date is set for 12th June 2017.

With payments totalling £5375.93 (of which 67.34 vat) and receipts of £27,836.00 (including the Precept), it was proposed that the statement be approved by Councillor Harrison and seconded by Councillor Daubney with all in favour, **RESOLVED** that the chairman would sign the statement for the record.

8/04/17 Highways – Static Speed Sign Progress & Funding Update

£700 had been received from the Councillor Initiative fund, the Black Horse had also donated £500 cheque received this evening – many thanks to both. The paperwork had now been received from LCC with a slight reduction in price from previously quoted (letter attached). The work will hopefully be completed by August/September of this year. The lamppost has already been replaced at the South end of the village to accommodate the sign, and the lamppost near Irwin Road that is currently

used for our existing mobile speed device will be renewed to accommodate the new Speed sign at the North end of the village.

9/04/17 Action Plan – next stage – Thonock reply

After writing to Thonock Estates to request the possibility of the field at the bottom end of the village a reply had been received to say that the proposal would be discussed with the board of Trustees and they would be in touch as soon as possible.

10/04/17 Amenity Grass Cutting

The clerk had spoken to Helping Hand who were hoping to begin the amenity cut this week.

11/04/17 Parking on the High Street outside the village shop

This matter was raised in the public meeting, and the clerk had already reported the problem to LCC, this needed chasing to see if any action can be taken.

12/04/17 Public Footpath Complaint Adjacent to the Mill

The clerk had taken a complaint from a lady in reference to the dog at the Mill which can now poke its head through the fence, LCC and PC Shaw had been contacted, PC Shaw requested that he was passed the lady's details so that he could deal as best possible.

13/04/17 Saxon Court

The clerk had received several complaints in reference to the noise created by the riding of Quad bikes etc in the field directly behind Saxon Court. This is an ongoing issue from last year and before, and is proving very unpleasant for residents in the close. All facts were passed to WLDC and the police to see if they could help in any action. The clerk also advised residents to report it to the Anti Social Behaviour line at WLDC.

For the purpose of item 14 the meeting will go into Closed Session

14/04/17 Playing Fields – Mole contract

Quotes had been sought from 3 contractors, with only 1 replying, and meeting with the clerk to look at the field. An initial clean up that could take up to one month would be £180 & vat with £572 & vat for the year. After a short discussion Councillor Quirke proposed that the quote be accepted from Axholme Pest Control, seconded by Councillor Harrison with all in favour, **it was RESOLVED** to award the contract to Axholme Pest Control for 12 months only. Clerk to inform.

14/03/17 Items of Information to be noted and if necessary dealt with at the next meeting.

The clerk had received a request from someone trying to organise a football team for Sunday League and a request to use the field. Agreed to delay the response until the existing team had been spoken to and to put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Councillor Quirke questioned the graffiti once again in the bus shelter, Councillor Barley agreed to deal with with.

Councillor Harrison asked that the small fencing at a property on Laughton Road be flagged up to LCC once again.

In response to the litter problem raised at the public meeting at the village hall, agreed that the clerk should contact WLDC to see if a 2nd bin could be obtained.

With all business concluded the meeting closed at 9.30pm with the next meeting on Monday 22nd May 2017, the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in the Council Room at 7.30pm.

Signed Dated