

BLEASBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Bleasby Parish Council Meeting

Monday 9th December 2024 at 7.30 pm, in Bleasby Village Hall

Present: Cllr Coombs (in the chair), Cllrs Roscoe, Lovatt, Wallin, Winn, Andersen and Cllr Saddington (NCC). 3 members of the public

Minutes

1. Chair's Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone, and the meeting commenced at 7.30pm

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Morgan and Cllr Melton (NSDC).

3. Declarations of Interest

None were received.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th November 2024

The minutes of the meeting were agreed and voted unanimously. Signed by the Chair.

5. Public Participation

A member of the public asked about a potential new housing development on Gypsy Lane. Cllr Coombs reported that the land has been purchased by a developer and it has been cleared. No formal plans have been submitted to the planning authority.

6. District/County Council Reports

Cllr Saddington reported that Bleasby PC proposal to develop the grips at High Cross would need to be given permission by NCC. Cllr Coombs responded that site meetings had been held recently with both VIAEM and with NCC Highways Dept. Cllr Saddington committed to liaise with Louise and Ross Marshall to assist in the process of gaining approval and obtaining the necessary license.

Cllr Saddington reported that she believed the LCF 50% funding application for the Bleasby village entrance signs has been approved. She asked the Clerk to liaise with NCC to ascertain who we should invoice for the funding. The Council thanked Cllr Saddington for her support.

Cllr Coombs asked for a donation from NCC towards the Xmas tree. Clerk to request £200 as a contribution to the Xmas tree and as a donation to the Church clock repair.

7. Finance

a. To approve payments as listed on payment schedule if any.

The payment schedule was approved by all and signed by the Chair.

b. To receive and approve bank reconciliation

Approved and signed.

c. Update on budget review, and consideration of Precept for the year commencing 1 April 2025.

Budget was discussed and the precept will be agreed at the January meeting.

d. Any other matters appertaining to finance.

No other matters.

8. Planning

a. There are no planning matters for consideration at the date of the meeting.

b. Any other matters appertaining to planning including decisions.

The Council noted there had been an application lodged with NSDC (24/02063/AGR) for the erection of a tractor shed and hay/straw barn at Manor Farm Station Road Bleasby NG14 7FX.

The Council also noted that the application for a change of windows at Copper Harvest had been granted, the application for Oak Tree Farm, Gypsy Lane had been approved, the application for development at Manor Close had been refused.

c. Any other items notified to Bleasby Parish Council prior to this meeting and requiring submission of comments before the following scheduled Parish Council meeting. No items notified.

9. Correspondence

The Council had received an email from a member of the public regarding identification the site of a relative's grave in the Church. This query had been passed to Barbara Cast and Di Temperley. The Council had also received an email asking who was responsible for gritting the station platforms. The Council noted that there is a grit bin on the platform. Jenny Stirland to be asked by the Chair.

10. Update on matters from previous meetings.

a. Tree planning in Bleasby

Ongoing. Cllr Andersen to organise a meeting with Cllr Melton to progress this. Cllr Coombs has mobile number

b. Grip improvements on High Cross.

Discussed by Cllr Saddington in Minute 6.

c. Speedwatch at Bleasby.

The clerk was asked to send an email out to the village and out to the parents in Bleasby School.

d. Village Entrance Signs update.

The funding has been agreed as minuted in minute 6. Cllr Roscoe reported that mock-ups of the artwork for the signs will be available to be discussed by the council during the meeting on January 13th. It is proposed that a public meeting should be held in February to agree proposed designs with the village.

e. Update on signage for the slipway at the end of Boat Lane.

Ongoing.

f. Hedgehog sign costing.

The clerk reported that she is in communication with VIAEM regarding the costing for the hedgehog signs and the potential need for a license.

11. Flooding in Bleasby

a. Flood Action Group Report

The Clerk had received a report from the Flood Action Group which was read out to the Council. The Clerk agreed to attach the report to the minutes of the meeting.

12. Land and Assets

a. Jubilee Ponds

i. TPO's on Borrow Bread Lane.

The Clerk reported that Sean Davies and Cllr Melton have been chased. No response had been received. The Clerk will chase again.

ii. Clarification of Fishing rights on Jubilee Ponds

The Chair reported that this was ongoing and would be reported on shortly.

iii. New signage stating, "Property of Bleasby PC".

The Chair reported that the signage was to be delayed whilst other matters were ongoing.

iv. Gate replacement on Borrow Bread Lane.

The Chair reported that the gate has now been replaced with fencing at a cost to the Parish Council. The Clerk reported that correspondence had ensued.

The Council wishes to note that it maintains that, whilst The Acre has the right to use the length of Borrow Bread Lane, there are no rights of access from the parcel of land now known as The Acre across the verge onto the side of Borrow Bread Lane.

The Council also noted that it plans to undertake maintenance work on the fence on the south verge of Borrow Bread Lane in January and the current owners will be notified.

b. Glebe Field – gate replacement and renovation of gatepost on side gate.

This has now been completed.

c. Update on Bridge repair to Shale Lane Dyke.

Cllr Winn reported that two bridges over the dyke are not safe. They are official public footpaths. Photos will be taken so they can be reported.

d. The Village Clock

The Village Clock needs urgent repair. Cllr Coombs proposed that, as this is a village amenity, this cost should be borne by the Parish Council. Cllr Roscoe seconded this proposal and this was approved with a unanimous vote.

13. Green Spaces Working Group Update

The Grasshoppers reported that there had been a monthly meet up on Sat 16 Nov for the tidy up of Meadow Triangle at Jubilee Ponds. During this time, they also transferred branches and brush from the bonfire pit to dead hedge perimeter in den area and started the clearance of young blackthorn by pulling up roots. On Sat 7th Dec, there was a Grasshopper Social at St Marys Church which was for wreath making.

"Approx 16 adults and 6 children braved the weather on Saturday afternoon to attend a Grasshoppers Christmas social. We made festive wreaths using local greenery collected from our gardens and willow collected from JP. It was a very pleasant social afternoon and was lovely to have 3 young families join in. A huge thank you to St Marys PCC for allowing us to use the Church".

14. Agenda items for next meeting

Clerk's salary

15. Date of next meeting – 13th January 2025

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