

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICKEY & BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT  
THE TRINITY CENTRE, LICKEY ON MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017  
MINUTES NO 8, 2016/2017**

**1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:** There were no apologies

**PRESENT:** County Cllr K Taylor, District Cllrs R Deeming & B Cooper, Councillor N Forknell (Chair) Cllr J Harvey (vice Chair) Cllrs A Boehm, J Eales, J King, P Harvey & S Nock, H Doherty (Executive Officer) Richard Dugdale and Alistair Keen (Network Rail) & 3 members of the public.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER:** 3b Disclosable Pecuniary interests 3c Other Disclosable interests.

*The Meeting was closed for Public Question time.*

**3. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES, COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:**

Cllr Taylor reported a planned meeting with Richard Clewer at Dale Hill where residents have various highway related concerns. No application is expected for the site on Linthurst Newtown subject to a TPO. The District Plan has been adopted and a cross party forum set up to talk with parishes and un-parished areas. BDC have concerns with the WCC LTP4 Transport Consultation and all are encouraged to respond.

Brian Cooper confirmed that no pre-application planning advice had been sought in relation to Rainbow Farm.

Wheelchair access for taxis is being consulted by the Regulatory committee and EO will pass on contact details for the Lickey PHAB group

Richard Dugdale and Alistair Keen presented a project update relating to Bromsgrove electrification. Construction is on-going, including work at Barnt Green station to install lifts. The crossing at Blackwell Golf club presents an unacceptable risk with more frequent, faster and quieter trains, and a reduced sight line because of new masts. A consultation will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 3-7pm at the Wheel to show residents options, the most likely being re-routing the path via Linthurst Newtown and right along Blackwell Road.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2016:**

It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes be signed as a true record.

**5. FINANCE and GENERAL PURPOSES**

- 5.1 The payment of bills was unanimously agreed
- 5.2 The quote of £100 for moving the external electrics to allow for a permanent Christmas tree at the Trinity Centre was approved

**6. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

- 6.1 The planning committee minutes were approved
- 6.2 Cllr Forknell reported that the first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan was currently being reviewed and more detail added. At the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> March Cofton Hackett PC agreed to contribute of £736 to the Kirkwells invoice, being a 40/60 split

- 6.3 Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order (No.13) 2016 relating to trees and woodland on land adjacent to 73 Linthurst Newtown, Blackwell, was noted and it was reported that Blackwell residents were pleased with this outcome.

## **7. HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT GROUP REPORT**

- 7.1 As Cllr Kit Taylor had reported that a site meeting was planned for Dale Hill it was resolved to ask him whether he would consider the purchase and installation of 'No HGV's' signage at both ends of the road, which has improved the situation in Lower Shepley Lane.
- 7.2 It was agreed that snowdrop bulbs should be planted in Lickey, including the cemetery path and other sites recommended by Jane Banner
- 7.3 It was agreed that a replacement litter picker is essential and will be reported at the forthcoming Residents meeting. It was noted that the bus stop signs, which are the responsibility of the bus companies, are in desperate need of cleaning. Cllrs Nock and King will make an assessment and advise the EO if a contractor is required

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS GROUP REPORT**

- 8.1 The date and venue for the Lickey Festival were noted.
- 8.2 Newsletter/Annual Report. The copy date of 27<sup>th</sup> Feb was agreed, to give delivery on March 24<sup>th</sup> allowing for distribution in advance of the Assembly. It was agreed to add a paragraph in support of the shops in Barnt Green that have suffered during the current roadworks.
- 8.3 It was agreed to have a Parish Directory page on the website to allow businesses within the parish to provide contact details

## **9. TRAINING MATTERS AND DIARY DATES**

- 9.1 Annual Assembly – it was agreed that the topic should be based on the Neighbourhood Plan first draft document and including the work done on the Heritage Environment

## **10 ADMINISTRATION:**

- 10.1 The Action Plan for 2017/18 was presented, discussed and some changes made. Cllr Nock thanked Cllr King for her work preparing the document. The EO will now look at the process for application for Foundation Award status

## **11 CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 11.1 It was agreed that the Planning Committee would review the WCC Local Transport Plan Consultation Document and draft a response. EO to request additional paper copies for the residents meeting
- 11.2 Invitation to a follow up meeting at Bromsgrove Police station will interested parties relating to Lickey school parking. It was agreed that Cllr J Harvey would attend

## **12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at the Wheel, Blackwell at 7.30pm.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.46

Signed

Chairman