

**BLABY PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
Held at Blaby Civic Centre, 22-24 Leicester Road at 7.30pm on  
Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**PRESENT:** Mr G Harding (Chairman),  
Mr P Akroyd, Ms J Bellm, Mrs L Bolton, Mrs M Broomhead, Mr A Gullick, Mr M Harbot,  
Mrs S McFadden, Mr P Muton, Mrs S Skeemer, Miss M Small, Mr Wareham,  
Miss L Withers (Assistant Manager), Mrs V Jepson (Manager) & 0 Parishioners.

1195 **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence are received from Cllr Mr M Page the reason for which is approved.

1196 **2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

The following disclosures of interests were made: -

Mrs M Broomhead	Burial Rights	Personal
Mr G Harding	Burial Rights	Personal
Mrs S Skeemer	Burial Rights	Personal
Mr P Muton	Burial Rights	Personal
Ms M Small	Burial Rights	Personal

1197 **3. MINUTES**

**a) To Receive, Approve & Sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 & Confidential file BPC52**

The minutes and confidential file BPC 52 of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019, were considered for accuracy and agreed to be a true record. Proposed by Cllr. Ms J Bellm seconded by Cllr. Ms L Bolton and passed unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** The Chairman signed the minute of the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019, as approved, as a true and correct record.

**b) To Receive & Adopt Committee Minutes held during December 2019: -**

All Members were issued with a copy of the following minutes:

• **Estates & Community – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

The minutes of the Estates & Community committee meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were considered for accuracy and agreed to be a true record by members of the Estates & Community committee. Proposed by Cllr. Mrs M Broomhead seconded by Cllr. Mr P Muton and passed unanimously.

1198 **4. FOR DECISION**

**The Blaby Topic**

Member wish to produce a Blaby Topic to be distributed at the end of February.

**AGREED:** The contents for the February edition of the Blaby Topic are as follows: -

- Christmas Light Switch on and Carol Singing
- Remembrance Day

- Summer Scarecrow Festival
- VE Day Celebrations
- New Councillor Profiles
- Precept
- Cllr Mrs S Skeemer to write a report about the British Legion and Thomas Cook
- Cllr Mrs M Broomhead to write a report about the Blaby Drama Group
- Update on funds raised at the Coffee and Cake Fundraiser

It is agreed articles for a future edition are:-

- Walks Around Blaby

1199 **5. FOR INFORMATION**

**a) Cheque Rota.**

**RESOLVED:** Cheques are to be signed at the end of the Council session by Mr G Harding & Mrs S Skeemer.

**b) Written Reports of Representatives/District Councillors & County Councillors – None.**

**c) Parishioners Time – None.**

**d) Councillor Training**

A Councillor training session has been arranged for Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 6pm – 9pm at Blaby Civic Centre.

**AGREED:** All councillors' have agreed to try and make the date.

**e) The Community Newspaper – The Courier**

Members have been issued with correspondence about The Courier, The Community Newspaper for Blaby, Glen Parva, Whetstone and Cosby, Established in 1972 and a copy of the Tales of Four Leicestershire Villages book.

If anybody wishes to have a copy of the booklet, they are to contact the manager for further details.

**f) Coffee & Cake Fundraiser – Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**

Our Coffee & Cake Fundraiser to support The British Heart Foundation in memory of Cllr Mohammed Parvez Sheikh is being held on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 from 10.30am – 12.30pm.

1200 **AUTHORISATION OF THE COUNCIL'S ACCOUNT**

All members have been issued with a copy of the January accounts.

ACCOUNTS AUTHORISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Southern Electric - Electricity	£1,477.42	BCC Leicester Road - 09.08.2019 – 08.11.2019 -£71.82 - Northfield Park –01.05.19 – 04.11.19 -£146.15 – Oakfield Park – 02.05.19 – 05.11.19 £1,695.39 – BCC – 02.05.19 – 08.11.19
Gibbs & Dandy	£65.65	Topsoil

ACCOUNTS PAID UNDER STANDING ORDER 13C

Blaby District Council	£528.00	January 2020 Rates – BCC – Ground Floor
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Blaby District Council	£197.00	January 2020 Rates – Cemetery
Blaby District Council	£54.00	January 2020 Rates – Server Room
Blaby District Council	£250.00	January 2020 Rates – Acorn Room
Blaby District Council	£85.00	January 2020 Rates – Oakfield Park
Blaby District Council	£201.24	BCC – Trade Waste & Paper Collection – 01/02/2020
Cash	£58.76	Petty Cash Top-Up

**ACCOUNTS RECOMMENDED FOR PAYMENT**

Alex Dunn	£410.00	Cemetery & Civic Centre Electrical Work Electrical
The Christmas Decorators	£432.00	Duel Electric Supply to Wi-fi Relay
Leicestershire County Council	£94.20	Christmas Light Switch On - Signage
CSL Business Machines Ltd	£54.20	Photocopier Charges 22.11.2019 – 13.12.2019
R&R MOT Centre	£147.84	Rear Brake Pads Replaced on Nissan Cabstar
Cooleraid Ltd	£30.00	Annual Maintenance
Sharnford Horticultural Ltd	£44.20	Machinery Equipment
Wicksteed	£162.76	Replacement Whirl Seat – Oakfield Park

**COMMERCIAL CARD**

Tesco	£93.48	Fuel – Nissan Cabstar
Aldi	£54.22	Sundries
The Post Office	£61.00	100 x 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps
Wickes	£7.20	White Spirit for Parks
KTee Tyres	£78.00	Battery for Nissan Cabstar
Kwik Cricket	£102.90	Summer Sports Club Supplies (Lottery Grant – Oakfield Park)
Decathlon	£221.60	Summer Sports Club Supplies (Lottery Grant – Oakfield Park)

**WAGES/EXPENSES MONTH 9**

Salaries: December 2019	£8,977.23
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**DIRECT DEBITS/STANDING ORDER/BACS**

LCC – Pensions – December 2019	£1,758.06
H M Revenue & Customs - PAYE/NI – December 2019	£2,313.15
Erud IT Ltd – 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	£221.36
Support Fee, Cloud Email Safeguard & Office 365 Premium	
Southern Electric – Gas – Blaby Civic Centre – 19.11.2019 – 06.01.2020	£2,045.60
Talk Talk – Line Rental & Fibre Business Broadband & Telephone (13.12.2019 – 12.01.2020)	£58.74
WaterPlus – Cemetery – 02.12.2019 – 29.12.2019	£8.82
ELAS Business Support – Employment Law - 30.12.19	£146.40
ELAS Business Support – Employment Law - 31.01.20	£146.40
Mrs V Jepson – Xmas Buffet Items	£54.80
Public Works Loan Board - BCC	£11,372.55

**RESOLVED:** The January accounts were agreed to be a true record. Proposed by Cllr. Mrs M Broomhead, seconded by Cllr. Mr M Wareham and passed unanimously.

1201 **6. CORRESPONDENCE:**  
**All correspondence has been issued to Members.**

a) **Leicestershire Police**

- **Your Local Policing Newsletter – January 2020**

b) **Blaby & District Social Centre – Minutes, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 & Agenda, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

**AGREED:** Cllr Mrs M Broomhead as the Parish Council's representative will report to the Social Centre that the carpark is too busy on event days and makes parking very difficult.

1202 **7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AFTER ISSUED OF AGENDA: FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

a) **Blaby District Council's Chairman's Evening's**

Members are invited to attend the two Blaby District Council's Chairman's evenings: -

- Curling evening, which is being held at The Parish Hall, Leicester Forest East on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm.
- Curry night which is being held at Chef & spice, Leicester on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 7pm

**AGREED:** No members wish to attend the Curling evening, but the Chairman wishes to take a guest, along with three members of the Council to the Curry night. All monies are to be paid to the manager.

b) **Time 4Leicestershire Launch Event**

Leicestershire County Council's Local Area Co-ordinator is organising a small event to promote a few local groups, centred around those volunteers who provide support for Blaby residents.

**AGREED:** All members are happy to support the event and allow the Parish Council event clerk to help. Members are also happy for the event to take place at the Parish Council offices if required.

c) **John's Court Car Park**

Members have been issued with correspondence from Blaby District Council's Neighbourhood Services with regards to the area around St Johns Court in Blaby Town Centre. In advance of the new Iceland store opening on January 21<sup>st</sup>, Blaby District Council are planning to clean and tidy this area including some pruning work, litter picking, graffiti removal, sign clearing and removal of redundant signs. This is to ensure Blaby looks it's best during the launch.

d) **Bouskell Park – Ice House**

Blaby District Council are delighted to say they were successful in their bid for National Lottery Heritage Funding for the Buried Bouskell project. In addition to restoring the Ice House to enable access, this funding will cover a community dig at Bouskell Park and some school-based archaeological activities with the support of the University of Leicester's Archaeological Services Team.

**e) Resilience Plan**

It was agreed at the last Full Council meeting that Blaby Parish Council would provide a Community Resilience Plan in case of an emergency. After having a meeting with Leicestershire County Council's Community Resilience Officer, it was suggested we create a small committee for the purpose of the Community Resilience Plan that can then be responsible for any decisions made and to be a main contact in case of an emergency.

**AGREED:** Members' will create a small committee to lead the Community Resilience Plan and will present the plan at the next full council meeting.

**f) Blaby Town Centre Newsletter**

All members have been issued with a copy of the new Blaby Town Centre Newsletter.

**g) Iceland**

All members have been issued with a press release from Iceland who are opening their new store in Blaby on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

1203 **8. CHAIRMAN'S TIME**

Thank you all for attending.

**MEETING CLOSED: 7:57PM**