

# BLYTHBURGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Present: Mrs Maslen (Acting Chair), Mr Benson, Mr. Boggis (Clerk), Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Waller, Mr Waller, Mrs Williams,

## **1. Apologies**

Apologies received from Mr. Lond-Caulk

## **2. Minutes of meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2006.**

Error in web site address printed in minutes. It should have read [www.blythburgh.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.blythburgh.suffolk.gov.uk)

## **3. Matters arising**

Village Hall roof, Grant has been received from SCDC and builder paid.

Storage shed will fall into next years activities

Play Site, Funding for improvements being sought.

Correspondence Mr Maslen, Letter sent to SCDC has 'gone missing'. Letter to be resent.

## **4. Correspondence**

### **4.1 Discussed at Meeting**

- i. DFT Bell – Letter requesting the erection of a memorial seat on the grassy area at the end of Lodge Road by Westwood Lodge. Blythburgh Parish Council does not own this land. Letters to be sent to Sir C Blois Bt and Mr A Burrows of English Nature to gain their view on the request.
- ii. Victim Support Suffolk – Information on how donation made by the Parish Council has been used. Donation of £25.00 agreed for this year
- iii. Garden Services – Invoices for work carried out on play site and bus shelters received. Agreed to pay invoices of £150.00 for the grass cutting and £160.00 for cleaning the bus shelters.
- iv. Orwell Housing Association – Invitation to 'Rural Housing' Seminar, focusing on affordable housing, received.
- v. P E Smith – Letter received regarding review of speed limits on A145 and B1123. Parish Council agreed to support extension of 40 mph speed limit on A145 to beyond the junction with the B1123. The Parish Council did not feel it could support the extension of the 40mph speed limit along the B1123 to beyond the entrance to Blythview.
- vi. SCDC – Letter received stating that as from October the Standards Committee agendas, reports and minutes will be available from the SCDC web site and hard copies will not be sent out. Request to be made that one of the Parish Councillors is notified as well as the Clerk.
- vii. SDC – Notification of the Temporary Closure of Public Right of Way. Part of Blythburgh footpath 17 will be closed from 14/11/06 to 14/5/07 due to partial collapse of river wall. Alternative route via Priory Rd – A12 Station Rd – Footpath 18.
- viii. Andrew Nunn, Cabinet Minister for the Environment to R Maslen – Copy of letter received about the noise levels caused by motorbikes and the limited options the SCDC have if the track is being operated in accordance with the planning consent.

- ix. Mr Morley – Further correspondence received from SCC, copied to Parish Council, on traffic in Blythburgh. SCC Traffic management section is investigating the current traffic situation. This includes 3 junctions, A12/B1387, A12/B1125 and B1125/B1387. The Road Safety scheme is working on the A12/B1387 junction but is having problems obtaining the additional land required. The Suffolk Safety Camera Partnership and Suffolk Police have said they will look at speeding issues and the Police Speed Reduction Officer has visited the site, but it is not one of the high priority sites. SCC Highway Maintenance failed in their bid for funding to resurface/improve the B1387 for 2007/08.

#### **4.2 On circulation to Parish Council Members**

- i. Countryside Voice – Autumn 2006 edition of the magazine of the Campaign to Protect Rural England
- ii. SCC leaflet – A land manager’s guide to rights of way in Suffolk
- iii. Suffolk ACRE – Autumn 2006 edition of the Suffolk Scene newsletter.
- iv. Suffolk ACRE – Offer of Information Communication Technology technical support for Voluntary & Community Sector bodies within Suffolk
- v. Suffolk Coasts and Heaths – Application forms for a locally funded scheme that supports conservation, access and awareness projects.

#### **5. Finance.**

Grant towards cost of work on Village hall received from SCDC

#### **6. Play Site.**

Application for funding being sought to resolve issues raised in RoSPA report.

#### **7. Planning Matters**

##### **7.1 Applications**

Application Supported by Blythburgh Parish Council

Application Number; C06/1932/FUL

Location; Water Tower, Walberswick Road

Proposal; Installation of 300mm diameter dish antenna to the rooftop of water tower

##### **7.2 Notification of decisions of Planning Applications**

Listed Building Consent – **Agreed** for

Application Number; C06/1801/LBC

Location; Union Farm, Southwold Road

Proposal; Demolition of Anderson Shelter & erection of replacement tractor shed

#### **8. A.O.B.**

- i. Letter to Sizewell ‘A’ to request road signs installed to direct traffic away from the B1125 running through Blythburgh Village centre. Letter to go to communications department before stake holder meeting in January.

#### **9. Open Forum**

Nothing raised

#### **10. Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2007

Meeting Closed.