

Blunham Parish Council Meeting

23rd March 2022

A Meeting will take place on Tuesday 29/03/22 at 7.15pm at the Village Hall. All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend. Times are approximate and members of the public are welcome to attend. Clerk to the Council – Jo Graves, 7 Manor Close, Clifton, Shefford, SG17 5EJ. 07563 527415 clerk@blunham-pc.gov.uk

Jo Graves

	Item	Requirement	Time
1	Apologies for absence		7.15pm
2	Declarations of any new Pecuniary Interests	Any new Pecuniary Interests should be declared. They must then be added to the register within 28 days. Existing pecuniary interests already registered do not need to be declared. Members cannot take part in any discussions or vote on matters in which they have a pecuniary interest.	7.20pm
3	Minutes of previous meetings & review of matters arising from that meeting & previous agreed actions.	To confirm and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of Extra ordinary Blunham Parish Council held on Tuesday 1 st March 2022. Matters arising from the minutes (for information only)	7.25pm
4	Public Session	An opportunity for the public to ask the Council questions & make observations about agenda items. There is 15 mins set aside for this agenda item. All questions & comments should be directed to the Chairman. Members of the public are respectfully reminded that this is the only part of the meeting that they can participate in.	7.30pm
5	Unitary Councillors Report		7.45pm
6	Highways	See information sheet. To receive Highways Committee report & any other Highways matters that need Full Council consideration.	8.00pm
7	Maintenance	See information sheet. To receive Maintenance Committee report & any maintenance matters that need Full Council consideration including 7.1. To consider request from resident for no dogs sign in cemetery. 7.2. To consider membership of ICCM (Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management) £95.00 per annum. 7.3. To consider quotations received for playground repairs. 7.4. To decide whether to purchase an additional dog waste bin.	8.05pm
8	Communications	See information sheet. To receive Communications Committee report & any other communications matters that need Full Council consideration. 8.1. To discuss and agree Queen's Platinum Jubilee arrangements. 8.2. To carry out 12 month review of Newsletter production/distribution. 8.3. To discuss community response to Ukraine, including purchasing a flag if requested.	8.15pm
9	Community Safety	See information sheet. To receive Community Safety Reps report & any other community safety matters that need Full Council consideration	8.20pm
10	Planning	See information sheet for Planning applications considered, plus any other planning matters that need Full Council consideration 8.1 CB/22/00718/FULL 132 Grange Road, Blunham Bedford, MK44 3NT Proposed single storey extension, to the side of existing garage. 8.2 CB/TCA/22/00111 The Old Manor House, 54 Park Lane, Blunham, Bedford, MK44 3NJ Works to a tree in a Conservation Area: Reduce the crown, reshape and deadwood the Silver Birch Tree. 8.3. CB/22/00964/LB Sunshine Cottage, 71 Grange Road, Blunham, Bedford, MK44 3NS Listed Building: Internal wall to be removed. 8.4 CB/21/05604/VOC Land Between 19-73 The Hill To discuss formal response to CBC following presentation and further information supplied by the Consultant. Planning Decisions	8.30pm

		CB/21/04775/FULL 77 Grange Road – Granted CB/22/00224/FULL 84 High Street - Refused	
11	Reports from Representatives	See information sheet. - To receive any reports from Parish Councillors who represent the Parish Council on other committees. - To receive reports from Councillors who have attended meetings on behalf of the Parish Council.	8.35pm
12	Finance Statement	See information sheet. 12.1 To approve payments due & receive financial statement of accounts. 12.2 Members to approve BATPC fees for 2022-2023 - £289.00. 12.3 To note NALC briefing regarding conclusion of 2021-2022 with 1.75% increase to Clerk's salary back dated to November 2021. 12.4 To review Asset Register and note additions during 2021-2022 and make amendments as required. 12.5 To identify if Councillors wish to attend BATPC Finance Training 12.6 LGPS Employers Contribution 2022/23. To note increase in contribution to 26.8% effective from 1 st April as notified by Bedfordshire Pension Fund.	8.45pm
13	Blunham Community Fund	To receive and consider grant application to restore the Church/Village clock.	9pm
14	Correspondence	See information sheet	9.25pm
15	Next Meeting Date	To agree next meeting date Tuesday 31 st May 2022.	9.30pm