Bloxham Parish Council - Report for February/March 2019

Meetings	Parish Council on 4 & 20 February 2019. Agendas and minutes are available on the PC web
	site. http://www.bloxhamparishcouncil.co.uk/
	All Parish Council meetings are open to the public and for a trial period would be held twice a
	month; the first Monday and third Wednesday and both meetings will include consideration
	of planning applications. These are forums for residents to raise issues of concern.
Next Meetings	Parish Council: 20 March 2019 & 1 April 2019.
Planning	 The Parish Council would be objecting to application 19/00245/ADV from Motor Fuel Ltd, Bloxham Service Station, South Newington Road, Bloxham for two externally illuminated fascia signs (Londis); Work to extend Jubilee Hall started on 25 February 2019. The Parish Council apologises to users for any inconvenience during the works; and Councillors had attended the consultation event for the proposed SEND school in Bloxham Grove Road. There were a number of concerns about this, especially relating to the increase in traffic in an already congested part of the village.
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<u>Environment/</u> <u>Highways</u>	 Potholes can be reported by residents at <u>https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/</u>, along with other highways and street lighting issues. When reporting on this site, photographs are useful;
	• The parked vehicles in the following locations are still causing hazardous obstructions: on the A361 slip way leading to Ells Lane; on the corner verge of Ells Lane/A361 and on the corner of Bloxham Grove Road and the A361. Please could drivers park their vehicles safely and considerately in all areas of the village and be aware that Thames Valley
	Police are continuing to monitor the village;
	• Dog owners are reminded to keep their dogs on a lead whilst walking on the Circular Walk, in the Slade Nature Reserve (volunteers working in the Slade are often approached by a
	dog not on a lead) and Public Rights of Way. If dogs continue to be let off their leads and frighten or attack cattle or sheep, the land owners who have given permission for Permissive Paths are within their rights to withdraw permission for the Circular Walk to cross their land, which would be to the detriment of the village.
	Please keep dogs on leads at all times when using the Circular Walk:
	• Mr Des Jones had stepped down as the village Footpath Warden and a volunteer was needed to take over this role. The Parish Council thanked Mr Jones for all his hard work and support to the Parish Council as the Footpath Warden, anyone interested in this role please contact the Parish Clerk;
	• the Slade Management Plan had been updated and Marie Jones, Warden at The Slade, was thanked for all her hard work on the Plan and at the Slade together with the Slade
	 Volunteers; quotes would be obtained for a Tree Manager who could monitor and carry out the necessary work to trees on Parish Council land;
	 a meeting regarding Bloxham Funday was being held on 7 April 2019 and residents were invited to attend if they would like to get involved. Please contact the Clerk for more details;
	• a missing street name plate for Banbury Road was reported to Cherwell District Council; and
	• a meeting would be arranged with Bloxham School about signage along the Water Lane bridleway.
Legal/Financial	• Section 106 funds would be released by Cherwell District Council to the Parish Council for the works at Jubilee Hall.
Communication	Follow Bloxham Parish Council on Facebook;
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• Work would be undertaken to the Parish Council web site to ensure it was complaint with the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) <u>http://www.bloxhamparishcouncil.co.uk/</u> ; and
Annual Parish Meeting – The APM was being held on Thursday 25 April 2019 at 7pm at
Jubilee Hall, Bloxham. All residents were invited to attend, and it was hoped there would
be displays by Thames Valley Police, Western Power, Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue,
Oxfordshire County Council, as well as presentations from the Parish Council about its work over the previous 12 months;
• Contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, on 01295 710965, during normal office hours or email
bloxhamparishcouncil@gmail.com