

Bloxham Parish Council - Report for August 2019

<p><u>Meetings</u></p>	<p>Parish Council on 2 September 2019. Agendas and minutes are available on the PC web site. http://www.bloxhamparishcouncil.co.uk/</p> <p>All Parish Council meetings are open to the public and are held twice a month; the first Monday (unless it is a bank holiday, then it is the following week) and the third Tuesday/Wednesday alternatively. Both meetings include consideration of planning applications. These meetings are also forums for residents to raise issues of concern.</p>
<p><u>Next Meetings</u></p>	<p>Parish Council: 17 September & 7 October 2019.</p>
<p><u>Planning</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The application for an SEN School in Bloxham Grove Road had been deferred to the September 2019 meeting of Cherwell District Council’s Planning Committee to allow for a site visit. The Parish Council had made additional comments on the changes within the application relating to the highway works, but was still objecting. • 19/01270/LB - The Old Manor, Little Bridge Road, Bloxham – The Parish Council had no objections to an application to relocate the WC, removing a partition and blocking up an existing door, remove paint from beams, relocate the central heating boiler, install a log burning stove, replace the floor covering in the kitchen, utility room and WC and block up a window on the north elevation and removing a waste pipe from the east elevation. • 19/00465/F, Motor Fuel Group, Bloxham Service Station, South Newington Road, Bloxham – The Parish Council objected to a retrospective application for ten Recessed LED lights within soffit of forecourt canopy because the light levels are still above the allowed levels (1 lux at the windows of the residents) and more residents had now complained about the light. If CDC is minded to approve the application, then lighting levels should be regularly monitored by an independent source. • A site meeting had been held with Cherwell District Council and Miller Homes to discuss outstanding issues on the Tadmarton Road development.
<p><u>Environment/ Highways</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please can residents ensure that trees/bushes/hedges are not causing an obstruction because they are overhanging a boundary onto a footpath or road. If an obstruction is occurring in the village, it should be reported to https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ • Potholes and street lighting issues can also be reported by residents at https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ When reporting on this site, photographs are useful. • 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 carry out patrols and will issue fines to drivers who park their cars dangerously or cause an obstruction. • Please always pick up the mess which your dog leaves on the ground. • A volunteer Parish Footpath Warden was still required. If anyone was interested in this role, they should contact the Clerk. • Rashid Bbosa from OCC Highways would be attending the next PC meeting to discuss traffic issues in Bloxham. • A traffic survey would be completed during the next few weeks, at a number of locations in the village.
<p><u>Legal/Financial</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 106 funds were being released by Cherwell District Council to the Parish Council for the works at Jubilee Hall and at the Ex-Servicemen’s Hall. • Work at Jubilee Hall was continuing but was still slightly behind schedule. Legal advice on possible small changes to the lease between the Parish Council and the Jubilee Park Management Committee would be discussed further. • Arrow Accounting was appointed as the Internal Auditor for 2019/2020.
<p><u>Community</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alan Griffin was thanked by the Parish Council for keeping the Church Clock working. • A new defibrillator would be installed shortly at the Ex-Servicemen’s Hall and thanks was passed to the Bloxham WI for their pledge to make a significant donation to the purchase.

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	<p>Training sessions would be arranged in due course, but residents did not have to attend the training to be able to use the equipment in an emergency. In an emergency, always dial 999 in the first instance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information on the Gladman Developments Ltd proposal was available at www.yourviews.co.uk/bloxham and there is a useful summary on the Bloxham Broadsheet web site. Please submit your comments to Gladman's using this link but <u>please also</u> submit them again to Cherwell District Council when the actual planning application is submitted.
<u>Communication</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow Bloxham Parish Council on Facebook.• Visit the Parish Councillors at the 'Drop-In and Chat' from 10.30 am to 11.30 am on the second Saturday of every month at the Ex-Servicemen's Hall. The next session was on 14 September 2019.• Contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, on 01295 710965, <u>during normal office hours</u> or email bloxhamparishcouncil@gmail.com