



# Blofield Parish Council

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## Blofield and Blofield Heath Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Blofield and Blofield Heath, held at Heathlands Community Centre on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7:45pm

### PRESENT

Stuart Smith (chair) and the clerk, Sarah Osbaldeston presided.  
Blofield Parish Councillors present – Stella Shackle, Stuart Smith, Sarah Dhesi, Yvonne Burton  
Joseph Scholes, William Crane  
Seven Parishioners were present.

#### 1. WELCOME

Stuart Smith, Chair of the Council welcomed everyone.

#### 2. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2022

These were approved by all present and duly signed by the Chair.

#### 3. CHAIR / COUNCIL'S REPORT (prepared and presented by Stuart Smith)

This year has unfortunately been a year of little movement on a number of the key projects we have on the agenda due in the main to external factors beyond our control. Again, as reported last year, progress being reliant upon other authorities, external suppliers and contractors.

The Parish has seen an increase in poor and disrespectful parking around our schools recently and is working with both the schools and Acle Community Policing to communicate the correct message to those offenders identified.

With the upcoming elections the Council remains 3 Councillors short, but is endeavouring through various contacts and resources, to attract more Councillors and would particularly welcome anyone from Blofield Heath or of a younger demographic reflecting the changes in our Parish over recent years.

### Planning

The number of applications continues to be at a lower level than we have seen in recent years. Certain developments again continue to cause concern with the Council, particularly in Blofield Heath and especially in relation to the risk of increased flooding caused by new development. The Council attempts to represent existing residents' concerns by commenting strongly on applications and at Planning Committee, where possible, with Broadland District Council Planning who is ultimately the deciding authority.

### Finance

The Council has again held the precept this year by prudent budgeting and management. The Council continues to financially support, amongst other smaller items:

- The community land at Marty's Marsh
- Maintenance of the churchyard at St. Andrew & St. Peter with a restarted initiative this coming year on the Church wall repairs.
- Continuing maintenance of the various green spaces throughout the Parish, adopting more spaces as land is transferred to the PC as a result of the land transfer from Broadland District Council within the Wyngates residential area.



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- The Courthouse, a listed building owned by the Parish. During this year the Council has undertaken and will be continuing with an ongoing maintenance programme in liaison with the Courthouse Management Committee, for example,
  - Repointing works to tired and worn out brickwork
  - Replacement of key elements of guttering and gutter clearing
  - Window repair and painting
  - Last but not least, what was anticipated to be simple repairs and decorating to the Cupola on the roof of the Courthouse has turned out to require a more significant and extensive partial rebuild and you will have seen the adornment on the roofline (scaffolding) that we have to leave up to facilitate this.

All of the works are of course to a Grade II listed building and the ultimate costs of these works will likely run to several thousands of pounds.

## Projects

### Village Gateways

Minor adjustments to the village gateways are still outstanding and the Council is continuing to work with Norfolk Highways on this and other matters that still require attention. Inactivity is probably reflective of cost reduction exercises and resource constraints at County Council level.

### Marty's Marsh

Volunteer work parties continue to maintain and enhance the land. Last year the Council anticipated significant expenditure during the year on further repairs to the culvert and river bank at the entrance from Brundall Road. This is now planned for Spring onwards.

As always new volunteers are always welcome to support the Friends of Marty's Marsh.

Talks are still in progress with Brundall Parish Council regarding the possibility of a bridge linking Marty's Marsh to Cremer's Meadow and a potential design has now been proposed. Work will continue to bring this to fruition, hopefully during this next year.

### A47 Dualling

This National Highways project is now subject to a legal challenge to be heard in May this year so little actual progress has been made until an outcome is decided. Unfortunately, this has resulted in further upheaval to the Allotments site with at present no certainty of a start or anticipated completion date, so certain areas within the site lie fallow awaiting a final decision.

As a consequence of these planned works the Council is actively pursuing various funding options available from National Highways to support local projects, primarily the funding of new play equipment across the Parish, but we are as yet to hear whether these have been successful and with the legal challenge in progress with an uncertain outcome, it will likely still be sometime before we know whether the bids have been successful or not.

### Play in the Parish

Over the past year the Council has actively worked with and financially supported the refurbishment of the play area at Heathland's Community Centre and are currently likewise working with the Margaret Harker Hall Committee to do much the same there as at Heathlands, again with a substantial offer of financial help, to achieve their ambitions.



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The Council is also working on ideas for activity equipment on the area just above the Wyngates development, the land which will ultimately be transferred to the Parish from Broadland District Council.

## Community Project

The Council's decision was recently ratified and remains the decision to retain the significant CIL monies accumulated to be spent, eventually, on the old school playing field as part of the transfer of land as a consequence of the new school in the village.

Unfortunately, again, the land transfer and final decision on a new school have continued to be increasingly protracted delaying any final and definite planning. A planning application for the school has now been lodged and at time of writing may be heard by Committee in May 2023, therefore we hope for some closure and clear direction in 2023 (last year I said 2022 and before that said 2021!!) not least to ease the ongoing pressure for spaces at the school. The Council remains in regular contact with Norfolk County Council Children's Services and the local school on these developments.

## Country Park

Following extensive research, investigation and consultation with various external bodies along with a review of the Developers plans for this land, designed to include numerous drainage attenuation ponds to be located there, the Council took the extremely difficult decision to withdraw from the project.

Primarily the Council regarded the risks and liability from potential pollution associated with drainage from 174 homes into these attenuation ponds and into in the Witton Run to be too great, along with the restricted land available as a consequence of the design and location of the ponds. Rest assured however, that a Country Park for all will still be delivered over time, either driven by Brundall Parish Council or the Developer.

## Newsletter

This has continued to be created and distributed through various channels, 4 times a year, and we hope that the Parishioners find this a useful medium for informing on Council initiatives and activity in the Parish. Currently we are working with the new Focal Point editor to see how the two publications may further converge.

## Acknowledgements

Our District Councillors, Nigel Brennan and Justine Thomas continue to be supportive. Our County Councillor and Leader of NCC, Andrew Proctor, also continues to be very helpful and supportive.

I would also like to say thank you to the Parish Councillors who have been able to work on projects and issues over the year. Without their efforts things couldn't happen. A big thank you also to our two Clerks who do an awful lot, do it to a high standard and keep us Councillors in check and on track. We are really fortunate to have such a good team.

## Conclusion

It would be good to have a full complement of councillors, so anybody who wants to help make the village an even better place to live, help decide how the council spends up to £750,000 of CIL over the next few years, or just thinks they can help us do a better job, should seek election onto the Council.



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## 4. BLOFIELD COURT HOUSE REPORT

A verbal update was given by the Courthouse Management Committee.

## 5. HEATHLANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE REPORT (DELIVERED BY CLAIRE NORTON)

Heathlands has now had its first full year free from Lockdown and I am pleased to report that we now have some additional Committee members, and we are all working very well together.

I am also pleased to report that the Under 6's play equipment has now been installed since last August and is being enjoyed by the younger generation, so I have to say thank you again to the Parish Council and trust you can see your money has been spent very wisely. We are grateful too to the Parish Council for resolving the long overdue problem with the Dog bins. We now have two bins and the problem does appear to have been sorted, so thank you again.

We have carried out some remedial works to the car park this year as it was full of potholes and water, but with the help from Keith Childs, the surface has now been re-graded and will hopefully drain better. Even so, we are looking at extending the parking area. Apart from the Football Clubs, especially at the weekends, cars are overflowing onto the grass and in wet weather that's not a good surface and turns it into a muddy patch.

Nippy Chippy still comes every Friday and this was especially good last summer with the very warm weather. Families were sitting outside eating their Fish & Chips and enjoying a glass or two of beer, so good all round.

The Village Lottery, which Graham Rose kindly took over and even kept running through the pandemic, which again all helps to add to our fund raising, but we could do with a few more members.

The Monday Luncheon Club is running well and enjoyed by lots of people but still only opens once a month. They are hopeful of extending this out to twice a month as soon as more helpers become available.

W.I., Brownies, Short Mat Bowls, Badminton, Zumba and all the other activities are still very well attended. Salhouse book club now meets once a month in the Committee room.

Pre- School is also very busy, and we are sure this is a great asset to all those mums -and dads who have busy working lives to arrange.

Our biggest event last year was of course the Queen's Platinum Jubilee where we held 4 days of entertainment.

Thursday was a party for the children, Friday was Nippy Chippy with Simon singing from the outside stage. Saturday was a BBQ with our resident Group, the Offenders and Sunday culminated with a Picnic in the Park, but of course it rained. Nonetheless the whole 4 days were a great success and lots of people had a wonderful time. A special thanks to Jill for such a marvellous effort.

On a sad note, perhaps you will remember that Heathlands lost our very dear friend Lilly Barnes. At 103 she had been with Heathlands since the beginning and seen some good times and bad. Lilly was a great character and helped whenever she could. A photo of Lilly opening the refurbishment of Heathlands in 2018 now hangs proudly in the Committee room. Heathlands is well supported by the efforts of the Social Club in promoting functions, running the Bar's and providing a splendid facility. The Social Club was set up over 25 years ago to be the fundraising arm of Heathlands and it has been doing exactly that. We do get some very nice verbal and written comments on how lovely the Club is, and we should all be very proud to have this wonderful facility on our doorstep.



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Our fundraising is still a big part of our income, and we had a great Christmas Fair, plus our usual Jumble Sales and Garage Sale. However, we are very conscious that all our costs will go up next year, especially as we have gas central heating. We cannot even begin to forecast how much extra we will have to raise, whilst we appreciate we are not alone in this respect it is a very worrying time. Jill and Jackie's Tea and Chat is very popular and a nice way to spend an afternoon with friends. Bingo nights are still a big draw too and we have some nice new members, it's a fun night with good prizes.

We are, as you know, in the course of amending Heathlands Constitution, which is not the easiest thing to do but we are making steady progress. We are in contact with CAN (Community Action Norfolk) and with our insurance adviser Tom Edge and we are hopeful to have a meaningful draft later this year. However, as we believe, the amendments may have to be signed off by The Secretary of State, who knows how long that will take, we will keep you all advised.

Finally, I have to thank the Parish Council again for their continued support, both financially and also as members on our committee. We trust that Heathlands is an important asset to both Blofield and Blofield Heath and that we can continue our strong association together going forward into 2023.

## **6. Margaret Harker Hall REPORT (written by Jenny Cuthbert, read by Sarah Osbaldeston)**

Since I took on the role of Chair at the AGM in June last year the committee has been working together to catch up on some outstanding repairs and maintenance tasks. We're also nearing completion of an update of the constitution to allow trustees to participate in meetings online and to increase the numbers of elected members.

The hall is going to be 100 years old this year which is a great opportunity to celebrate the history of it and we're planning some fundraising events. The first is a craft fair on 18th March with lots of stall holders. Volunteers will be serving hot drinks and homemade cakes. Entry is free, look out for local posters.

An event last summer kickstarted our efforts to raise money to replace the play equipment and we are now looking into grant applications. Replacing the equipment is going to be a big project, likely to be carried out in phases, so we're keen to have people join us who have the skills and vision to develop it into a well-used and loved space.

The hall continues to be booked up by the local community – with the pre-school running four days a week plus a range of other activities including badminton clubs, short tennis, dance groups, a choir and the gardening club's monthly meeting. The local amateur dramatics group is also making a welcome return to performing there for the first time since the pandemic.

The hall is available to hire for private parties and events with availability mostly limited to weekends. Due to the increase in costs of utilities, etc the charity is barely breaking even so it is more reliant than ever on fundraising.

One of the biggest things we've struggled with recently is being able to recruit new volunteers and trustees. Currently we're reliant on a very small group of people doing most of the work and this isn't sustainable. The AGM is coming up in May so we will be advertising more to encourage others to join us. We continue to be very grateful for the support from the community and the Parish Council in helping to keeping the hall going. If anyone is interested in finding out more about the committee, please email me at [jenny@margaretharker.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:jenny@margaretharker.onmicrosoft.com)



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## 7. **BLOFIELD ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT (written by Max Stephenson, read by Sarah Osbaldeston)**

There are currently 50 allotment plots of different sizes on our site. As at March 2023, all the allotments are let, and there is a waiting list of three people (going back to November 2022). In addition, an area equivalent to just over four full plots has been put aside for use by National Highways for the proposed A47 project and associated works. Once this has been completed, it is expected that some of this land will be returned to the BAA for use as allotments and a new car park.

- During the year April 2022 to March 2023, eight changes of tenancy took place and at the year-end no plots were vacant.
- When vacancies do arise and there is nobody on the waiting list, an advertisement is placed in Focal Point.
- Several working parties comprised of volunteer plot holders and BAA committee members took place over the year, carrying out tasks such as hedge cutting, grass cutting and strimming, preparations for the summer house and general tidying up of common areas on the site. Overall, the allotment site is well maintained.
- The pest control contact set up by the Parish Council for the BAA is continuing to reduce rat and mouse infestations, and the BAA are very grateful for this service. The contractor provides regular feedback to the Parish Council and the BAA and responds quickly if problems are reported.
- There have been further meetings with National Highways and their contractor Galliford Try. The Parish Council and BAA have been working together to try to minimise the adverse effect that the proposed A47 improvement works will have on the allotment site. Among the matters agreed were a new temporary car park for the duration of the works, access from this to the three haulage ways on the allotments and moving the four heritage apple trees which currently stand within the compulsory purchase area.
- Early in the year, a working party put fencing in place around the half plot which the Parish Council are kindly letting the BAA use as an allotment resource for the benefit of all plot holders. A suitable summerhouse was sourced by the BAA in early Summer, for delivery by the end of August. A further working party took place (during some of the hotter summer weather) to dig out and then construct a non-concrete, very robust and well drained base for the building, which was delivered and erected on time. The project was jointly funded by the BAA and the Parish Council – whose substantial contribution was vital and is very much appreciated by all allotment holders. Subsequently, the BAA committee managed to source tables and chairs for the summerhouse, and it is already being regularly used by allotment holders as a meeting point. It has also been used for formal meetings, and we plan to run training sessions on topics such as fruit tree pruning and no dig growing. The building has been named “The Hive”.

## 8. **FOOTPATH WARDEN REPORT (written by Yvonne Burton/Tricia Dolamore, prepared July 2022 updated for Annual Meeting of the Parish 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023)**

The annual footpath walk took place in Blofield at 6:30 on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July and was relatively well attended, with nine people + the Footpath Wardens, Tricia and I. The weather was warm and sunny, it was a nice evening to be out and about.

We divided into two groups, Tricia led a walk for new people to the area via Church Alley, Footpath 12, through the Churchyard, Marty's Marsh and through to Cremers Meadow, which was much enjoyed.



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I led a group through the Hopkin's Homes site to explore whether Footpaths 5 & 7 are open. The first section of Footpath 7 is now tarmacked, but further into the site it is closed due to continuing construction work. We continued along the roads there to the children's playground adjacent to the A47. The area around the playground is now landscaped and seeded. The playground is not open yet and access to the style to the A47 crossing point blocked, it was observed that the position of the style opposite the end of Footpath 7 is some distance from the playground. We then continued via the pavement to the access on to Globe Court, then along the path parallel to the bypass to North Street, past the school and along Plantation Road to the start of Footpath 4, some of my group turned back at that point because of wearing shorts or 'sliders'. The rest of us proceeded along the Footpath and were able to walk it, with the use of secateurs on the brambles. The path is overgrown with nettles and brambles and was reported to NCC Highways. We finished the walk down 'The Loke' on to Yarmouth Road through the Kier estate on to Lingwood Road, then down to Church Road and back along Footpath 12. Footpath 8, which is parallel to Garden Road, is overgrown. 'Garden Guardian' were asked to do a cut.

The railing fence beside the Brundall Road parallel to Marty's Marsh has been repaired NCC Highways, but several of the posts are very loose or rotten at the base. This was reported to NCC Highways, even though this was not a Footpath issue. There is currently a dispute about whose responsibility this is. This bank at the side of the road is not part of Marty's Marsh.

The annual footpath walk took place in Blofield Heath at 6:30 on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July and was again relatively well attended, with nine people + the Footpath Wardens, Tricia and I. The weather was even warmer and sunny.

Tricia led a walk to Footpath 1 from Bonds Road across a field to Woodbastwick Road; there were no issues to report. I took a group to Footpath 2 from Blofield Corner Road to Hall Road, again there were no issues to report. Some of us then had a pleasant pint at the Heathlands Beer Festival.

I have suggested Blofield PC pursue a payment from NCC Highways to maintain the footpaths in Blofield Parish, rather than reporting issues and waiting for NCC Highways to action. I know other Parishes have gone down this route.

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Tricia and I met to walk the remaining Footpath 3, between Shack Lane and Holly Lane. We found that the footpath path sign had been turned round, so that instead of pointing down the side of the drive to the Red House/Woodlands Manor it pointed to the steps on the other side of Shack Lane, where the path crosses a small field and to a style to lead down to the A47. I asked NCC for the sign to be moved to the other side of the road and to point down the footpath in the direction of Holly Lane. We found the path slightly overgrown and cut back the growth to access the path more easily. The footpath goes beside the fenced drive and turns right before you reach the house and then passes through a hedge into the field. We cut back the hedge exit so the entry to the path was easier to find from the other direction, this has been a problem in the past. We also remembered that the footpath used to be on the inside of the hedge and led to a gate at the corner of the property. So, the footpath has been diverted, but this is not a problem as long as the gap in the hedge can be found.

While we were there we were approached by the new owners of the property and were told that when they bought the property they did not know the PROW went through their grounds!



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They said they did not like people using the footpath and would like it diverted so that it would go from Shack Lane directly into the field instead. I told him they would need to apply to NCC to try and get the footpath diverted, but this was not an easy thing to do.

The footpath is easily walked from the corner of the gap in the hedge to Holly Lane this year as there is a wide track through to potato crop.

## Update 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Footpath 12 is clear and easy to walk.

Footpaths 5 and 7 are tarmacked and can be easily walked, they do not follow exactly where the old footpaths were and of course they are surrounded by houses now. There is no access to cross the A47 (but that is a good thing) and the children's playground is still closed.

Footpath 4 is easy to walk, but there are sections that pass perilously close to the top of the bank down to the A47. We have requested to planning that the path should be improved as part of the new school development.

Footpath 8 is easily walked but little used.

Footpath 2 and 3, no issues.

FP3 I need to check to see if access is still possible. The footpath sign was replaced, but subsequently disappeared again. The field has been ploughed and the footpath needs to be re-established.

## 9. KEEP BLOFIELD SPECIAL REPORT (written by Peter Mackness, read by Sarah Osbaldeston)

Keep Blofield Special is a small group of volunteers who undertake litter-picking for an hour or so on the first and second Mondays of each month in our two villages. During 2022 three new volunteers have joined the monthly litter-picks which has allowed us to cover a little more of the area.

We have had another full year of regular monthly litter-picks following the interruption during the Covid pandemic. The usual "hot spots" continue to generate litter which is mainly take-away food packaging and drink cans. It is "low-level litter" but unsightly nonetheless – we hope that by picking it up regularly it will discourage further littering.

We continue to use the online Broadland Fly tipping Report Form to report items that are too large for us, and Broadland's response has, as usual, been excellent. In informal conversations it is noticeable how few people are aware of this service even though information can be found – perhaps some wider publicity would be helpful?

The PC replaced one of the two benches on Mill Road and kindly offered to take back the future maintenance of both benches, an offer that was accepted by KBS.

The bank between the Library and Blofield School which was prepared and planted by KBS a few years ago continues to provide colour through the seasons.

The Spring daffodils donated several years ago and planted at the various entrances to the villages continue to bloom and add to the pleasant aspect of Blofield and Blofield Heath. KBS is pleased to help keep our two villages looking attractive and always welcomes suggestions and new members. It is a very informal group of people and can be contacted via the Parish Clerk. KBS are not alone in collecting litter and we would like to thank others who also regularly collect litter around the village.

## 10. TREE WARDENS REPORT (Richard Codling and David Pilch)

A verbal update was provided in the meeting.





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## 11. **BLOFIELD ORCHARD CONSERVATION GROUP (WRITTEN BY RICHARD CODLING, READ BY SARAH OSBALDESTON)**

The New Millennium orchard continues to flourish despite a few pest problems and the recent summer drought. In the last year orchard group volunteers worked nearly every

Tuesday doing various tasks including planting a number of new trees, pruning, scything, pest control, mowing, mulching and of course picking the 2022 crop. The harvest produced around 70 crates of apples and pears.

An apple day was attended in Strumpshaw with all varieties on sale, Contacts were made, and leaflets distributed to the public. We also attended the Queens jubilee celebration at Blofield church with a display of our apple varieties. Beekeeping at the orchard produced a good crop of honey and all proceeds went into helping with the purchase of tools equipment and our land rent.

Richard collected some leaf samples from parishioners to have a DNA analysis by the national fruit collection, it is hoped this will happen again this year.

During the summer a butterfly survey was carried out and 7 species were identified. To encourage more wildlife, we are creating more wildflower areas this year. To celebrate the 50th year of Brundall and Blofield gardening club a Golden Noble apple tree is to be planted in the orchard along with a plaque.

## 12. **BLOFIELD FUEL CHARITY REPORT (written and read by Sarah Russen)**

Here is the Annual report for the Blofield Fuel Charity. The Charity owns 27 acres of land in Blofeld Heath, which is leased to two farmers, but has been owned by the Charity since 1800`s for the Needy and the Poor of the Villages of Blofield and Blofield Heath. Since its original set up for the people, the concept has changed. It is now for the Applicants to put towards their heating bills as they wish, and not for bags of coal as in the past. The applicants must have lived in the Villages for over 7 years and that they are over the age of 65. They apply to the Charity in October of each year, by getting an application form from the local shops and sending it to me, as Clerk to the Charity.

The Trustees are made up of five Trustees who are appointed by the Parish Council and the Clerk, who assists in administering the income. We meet twice a year to discuss any issues and decide how much the Charity can distribute to the applicants. The money is divided into two parts, one for a single person and one for a couple. Our income comes from the farmers, who lease the land and pay us twice a year income of £2770.00 and a Wayleave from U.K Power, who have power pylons across the land, of £171.71p once a year. We also received a gift of £1000.00. which was gratefully received by the Charity. This year has been good financially and the Trustees were able to give £100.00 for a single person and £80.00 for a couple. We had a total of 41 applicants, which was a little down on last year and not as many as we had expected. The monies were gratefully received by some of the applicants, as we had some letters and calls to say so. The Trustees would like to say ``Thank You`` to the Parish Council for their continued support. This brings me to the end of my report for 2022-2023.

## 13. **BLOFIELD RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY / REVE EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT**

The Trustees of The Reve Educational Foundation and Blofield Relief-In-Need Charity were pleased to be able to make several grants over the past year. These included 3 for educational purposes at £400 each, one to the Acle Food Bank of £100 towards Christmas



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presents etc. for 2 Blofield families who are assisted by the Food Bank and a further one for a resident who was in need and had requested a one-off payment and was granted £250.

## 14. **BLOFIELD CHURCH REPORT (written and read by Kevin Bilson)**

Blofield church continues to have two regular weekly services each week. These services are a combination of eucharistic and non-eucharistic services.

In addition to the annual service of remembrance for the village held on Remembrance Sunday, other special services included a 'Songs of Praise to celebrate the Queen's Platinum jubilee in

June and an Evensong to mark the death of the Sovereign in September. The church provided a space for people to sit quietly and reflect or pray during the period of mourning and a book of condolence was available to sign (donated by the Parish Council.) The latter has been forwarded to the palace and a grateful acknowledgement was received. It was to be placed in the national archive.

In October a successful application was made for a Community Hot Spot grant. This has enabled the church to provide a well heated space on Wednesdays and Thursdays each week. This incorporates our Wednesday morning, community café at which light refreshments are available, 'play church' for children from birth to nursery age and their parents / carers – often full to a safe capacity - during regular term times. Additionally, there is the twice monthly Thursday 'Open Door' with a light lunch and craft activities for all who wish to attend from the local community.

The challenge of maintaining Blofield Church building in its current good state of repair is not an easy one because of the financial burden, but the PCC and congregation continue to work hard and to fund raise to enable us to do this.

## 15. **DISTRICT COUNCILOR'S REPORT**

A verbal update was received from Cllr Justine Thomas.

## 16. **COUNTY COUNCILOR'S REPORT**

A verbal update was received from District Councillor Andrew Proctor.

## 17. **TO HEAR AND DISCUSS ANY MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Concerns were raised by parishioners regarding speeding within the village. The police have been contacted regarding speeding and to arrange visits to both schools at busy periods to address any parking issues.

It was confirmed that no access to the new school would be available through the Wyngates development.

## 18. **CLOSING COMMENTS**

The chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at approximately 8:25pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....