BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN BARROW VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ROOM ON MONDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2018

Present:

Mr G Judge (Chairman)	Mr M Wilcock	County Councillor Soons
Mr M Sanders	Mr R Ford	Borough Councillor Houlder
Mr D Cousins		
		Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe

Minute Ref		Action
5264	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	Cllr Pearson, Cllr Holmes, Cllr Kronbergs, Cllr Wesley and Cllr Hudson	
5265	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS None	
5266	PUBLIC FORUM	
	There were no members of the public present.	
5267	To receive the Community Police Report. The safer neighbourhood newsletter had been received. There was nothing directly relating to the parish.	
	Cllr Judge confirmed that the vehicle stolen from The Academy had been recovered.	
5268	Minutes of the last meeting Having been previously circulated, the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st October 2018, the minutes were proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr Sanders with all Councillors in agreement.	
5269	VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE a) Drainage Cllr Wesley to organise the excavation of the ditch. One major problem is that the householder has filled in part of the ditch. There is no point in spending money if part of the ditch is blocked. Cllr Wesley has suggested installing a new pipe which could bypass the blocked ditch. We have received one quote for this work of £5,000, another quote will be needed. Cllr Ford asked how confident the Cllrs are that this will work and made the point that the drains would need to be cleared at the same time. If the Parish Council are to go ahead with this it would be as part of a larger project which includes reshaping the pond and making it bigger to hold more water. The Parish Council will obtain some quotes for the work on the pond and the two things would be completed in unison.	PW

	Cllr Judge will speak to the County Council about the proposal and getting the drains cleared.	GJ
	It was proposed by Cllr Wilcock and seconded by Cllr Cousins that the work will go ahead subject to agreeing the price.	
	b) Recycling issues Village Car Park The Clerk has approached The Salvation Army and requested information regarding their clothing banks as the current clothing banks are part of a commercial operation.	КВ
	A local resident has suggested looking at Terracycle. They have recycling points across the UK for items that currently can not be recycled in regular recycling bins. The Clerk will contact and ask for more information.	
	c) Ponds See item 5253 (a). Will defer to December meeting when	
	d) Telephone Kiosk At the October meeting Cllr Kronbergs presented a report. The Parish Council agreed to meet the shortfall in funding for the telephone kiosk renovation. Cllr Kronberg felt there had been a misunderstanding regarding the completion of the final work on the kiosk. This was accepted. The Parish Council decided that they would not ask the Clerk to take this further in relation to the final work that needed to be carried out. The Parish Council are very grateful for the work done by the volunteers and would like to thank everyone involved. Cllr Judge to respond to Cllr Kronbergs.	GJ
	e) Footpaths The Parish Council have received a complaint about people riding horses on the footpath between Burthorpe Green and Mill Lane. Cllr Judge spoke to the Area Rights of Way Officer who agreed to put up some signs. Unfortunately, she was unable to fasten the signs to the metal posts. She was happy for the Parish Council to provide their own signs.	
	There have been a complaint about the footpath from Ley Road to Watson Way being overgrown. Cllr Judge to check.	
5270	Green Wellie The lease for the current building expires in December 2019 and it not being renewed. There have been conversations with the County Council to look for some land for temporary classrooms. The owner of the nursery has approached local land owners and has also spoken to the school who are considering expanding, so far, no land has been sourced. Unfortunately, the Parish Council does not own land that could be used. Cllr Judge to contact the nursery to let them know the Parish Council are unable to help.	GJ
5271	Pigeon Developments Cllrs Judge, Pearson and Wilcock have had a further meeting with Pigeon Developments regarding the potential project. The Cllrs felt they were almost in a position to have a proposal ready for the December meeting regarding the potential development South of the village, incorporating recreational facilities. Once the proposal has been put to the Parish Council during the December	

	meeting a decision will be made as to whether or not to move forward. This would lead to a public consultation in the Spring. There has been a lot of discussion around 'gettable housing' not just affordable housing. There has also been discussion around provision for replacement sheltered housing.	
5272	Councillor Vacancy The Parish Council received interest by one member of the Parish. Cllr Judge invited proposals. Cllr Wilcock proposed to invite Jennifer Pettit to fulfil the casual vacancy, this was accepted and seconded by Cllr Ford with all Councillors in agreement. Jennifer Pettitt signed the declaration.	
5273	Village Hall Management Committee Report Cllr Ford reported that there had been some problems in the skate park. The fireworks raised £1,800, it was their best year yet. The management committee are looking for extra volunteers ready for next year. The bank balance stood at £11,633 prior to the firework which was down £5,000 year on year, however some money had been spent on maintenance and the Beer Festival had been postponed till the Spring.	
5274	Land East of Barrow Hill In September's meeting it was reported that Hopkins Homes had taken onboard the changes proposed by the Parish Council for the development. There is still one resident unhappy with the proposed layout as they will be overlooked by one property.	
	Over the last few days a few more changes have been made. These are all cosmetic including linking the cycle path to the foot path and parking at the doctor's surgery.	
	The Parish Council have done everything they can, and Hopkins have been very considerate making the changes requested by the Parish Council.	
	It was agreed that the Clerk would respond to confirm there are no further concerns in relation to the comments raised.	
5275	BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Houlder reported that the Boundary Commission have confirmed the boundaries and there are no changes for Barrow. The Borough Council are currently working on their budget for next year and as always have a budget gap. The grant pot for the community chest grants is decreasing.	
5276	COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Soons confirmed that she has spoken to John Simpson about the give way lines. He confirmed they would be done before the end of January, he was reminded that the team had been in Barrow recently. If they have not been completed by January, Cllr Soons will chase again.	
	Cllr Judge confirmed that the new 30mph roundels on Bury Road have had an impact. He has spoken to the County Council about having some in the middle of the village and is awaiting a price.	
	Cllr Soons reported that the County Council have launched their budget consultation and need to save £25m.	

Cllr Soons confirmed that she has spoken to John Simpson about the new yellow lines near the school, this cost will be met by Cllr Soons budget.

5277 ACCOUNTS

- A) Adoption of the Accounts was proposed by Cllr Cousins seconded by Cllr Wilcock, with all Councillors in agreement.
- B) To confirm payments

PAYMENTS TO BE PRESENTED AT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 5th NOVEMBER 2018

2018/2019 Accounts			
EXPENDITURE			
Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Notes
BACS	McGregor Services	£528.00	Sept cutting
BACS	INL Landscapes	£840.00	Sept cutting

Amounts owed to Parish Council

CDC	£160	Contribution to Newslink – Sept 2017 & Dec 2017
E Volkert	£15	Allotment rent – should this be w/off????

I have submitted the Vat reclaim and we should receive £5,511.10 very soon.

Other invoices include: Hammond Ford £252 McGregor Services £744 Verse £161

Payments were proposed by Cllr Wilcock and Seconded by Cllr Sanders

It was agreed by all councillors the outstanding amounts would be written off by the Parish Council.

c) To approve the budget

Having looked though the budget it was decided that this would be left until December due to the number of absent councillors.

There is currently £11k in the Croziers accounts. Cllr Judge proposed that this money should fund the Newslink publication once a quarter this was agreed by all Councillors. Cllr Cousins asked for Newslink to be on the agenda for the December meeting.

d) To agree the Precept for 2018

The precept will be discussed in the December meeting. All Councillors have been asked to look at the budget projections prior to the December meeting. The finance section will be moved up the agenda to allow adequate time to discuss all matters.

e) To confirm Gabby Hammond as Responsible Financial Officer Gabby Hammond will remain the Responsible Financial Officer. This was proposed by Cllr Wilcock and seconded by Cllr Ford with all in agreement.

f) Salaries

The Clerk was asked to leave to the meeting. The Chairman advised the meeting that that the Clerks current rate of pay was £9.84 per hour, based on the salary point SCP19 in the National Agreement on salaries and conditions of service for council clerks. This had been increased to £10.08 per hour with effect from 1st October. The Chairman has been advised by SALC that from 1st April 2019 SCP19 changes to SCP 8. From 1st April 2019 the Clerks salary will be £10.34 per hour.

The Street Cleaner currently earns £8.33 per hour, as of 1st April 2019, this will be increased to £8.71 per hour, 50p over the national minimum wage.

The above salary increased were proposed by Cllr Wilcock and seconded by Cllr Ford with all Councillors in agreement.

5278 PLANNING

DC/18/1906/HH 5 Bury Road Barrow IP29 5DE Householder Planning Application - (i) two storey rear extension (following removal of existing conservatory) (ii) and single storey front and side extensions

No Objection

DC/18/1989/LB Outbuilding At Church Farmhouse Church Lane Barrow, Suffolk Application for Listed Building Consent - (i) Conversion of stables to a holiday home and (ii) single storey side extension

No Objection

DC/18/1895/FUL Outbuilding At Church Farmhouse Church Lane Barrow, Suffolk Planning Application - (i) Conversion of stables to a holiday home and (ii) single storey side extension

No Objection

5279 To note the following planning determinations

DC/18/1444/FUL Denham Priory Barrow Road Denham Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP29 5EW Full Planning Application:- (i) Conversion of existing garages into stables (ii) Installation of horse walker (iii) Installation of outdoor arena APPROVED

DC/18/1647/TPO 46 The Green Barrow IP29 5AA TPO488(2009) - Tree Preservation Order - 1no. Lime (T1 on plan and T1 on order) - Remove epicormic grown at the base and the epicormin up the trunk to the crown to thin centre APPROVED

DC/18/1783/HH 5 Papeley Meadow Barrow IP29 5DL Householder Planning Application - (i) Single storey rear extension (ii) reconstruction of existing conservatory to garden room APPROVED

	DC/18/1849/HH 12 Dale Tree Road Barrow IP29 5AD Householder Planning Application - 1no. conservatory to front side elevation APPROVED		
5280	Meeting Dates 2019 To be discussed in December's meeting.		
5281	Correspondence To note the following items of correspondence received since the last meeting and agree action as appropriate:		
	05.10.18 SALC E-Bulletin 5th October The Clerk has been asked to look at what training courses she would like to attend in the coming year.		
	08.10.18 Headway Headway Newsletter For information		
	09.10.18 West Suffolk Council Housing Strategy - consultation and online survey All councillors have been asked to look at the consultation.		
	15.10.18 Suffolk Highways New traffic regulation order for St Edmundsbury For information		
	17.10.18 SALC E-Bulletin 15th October For information		
	2410.18 Karen Soons SCC Carers Survey Forward to Jen and Good Neighbours		
	29.10.18 SALC 2019-2020 Membership cost For information		
	29.10.18 West Suffolk Council Final Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements For information		
	29.01.18 Barrow Church Reading at the Carol Service Cllr Judge to do a reading.		
5282	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 3rd December 2018, Committee Room, Barrow Village Hall at 7.15pm.		
	The meeting was closed at 20:40pm		

Signed:	(Chairman)
Date	