

BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 1st November 2021

Present:

Cllr R Rawlings Cllr Ford Cllr Steer Cllr Cousins	Cllr Holmes Cllr Kronbergs Cllr Bragg Cllr K Rawlings	Cllr Wesley Cllr Pettitt Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe
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Minute Ref		Action
5935	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Pearson, Cllr Soons – Cllr Kronbergs to chair the meeting.</p>	
5936	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS None</p>	
5937	<p>PUBLIC FORUM There were three members of the public present.</p> <p>One member of the public stated that they felt the Parish Council were being harsh on SCC for cutting back the hedge on the footpath near the doctor's surgery and stated it had been cut back to its original boundary. The clerk stated that the resident concerned was upset that they hadn't been consulted and given the chance to cut it back themselves.</p> <p>A second member of the public asked the Parish Council what the most pressing issue is currently. Cllr Kronbergs responded by confirming moving forward with the NHP was the most pressing issue to ensure it is ready for submission. The member of the public raised concerns over the selection process of the new parish councillors and questioned why they were not asked if they had the time to commit to the NHP before being co-opted. Cllr Kronbergs confirmed that candidates were selected following the normal procedure. They were asked for a CV and covering letter. Candidates were also invited to make a statement to the Parish Council. Councillors voted on the strength of the CV and covering letter. Out of the two new councillors one volunteered to join the NHP committee.</p> <p>The Parish Council was asked if they had considered putting strict restrictions in the NHP to make future development more environmentally friendly, for example no concrete driveways/hex plastic driveways/air source heat pumps/solar panels/electric car charging points to help aid Barrow becoming a green village. Cllr Kronbergs confirmed that the design code had been drawn up by AECOM but if time allows this will be revisited to make sure it is as green as possible.</p>	

5938	<p>Minutes of the last meeting</p> <p>The minutes from the Parish Council meeting on 4th October were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr R Rawlings with all Councillors in agreement.</p> <p>The minutes from the extraordinary Parish Council meeting on 6th October were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr R Rawlings with all Councillors in agreement.</p> <p>The minutes from the extraordinary Parish Council meeting on 14th October were circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Kronbergs requested one change to the minutes (minute ref 5933) – One site could not be accepted and the other is already subject to a planning application. This change was accepted. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Pettitt with all Councillors in agreement.</p>	
5939	<p>COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT</p> <p>Apologies received</p>	
5940	<p>Highways</p> <p>a) Colethorpe Lane Update Wide scale jetting and clearing of the gullies is planned from the A14 to the school. The road will be closed for this. No date given.</p> <p>b) Update on meeting with Paul West The Parish Council has not yet had any feedback regarding this meeting. Clerk to chase Cllr Soons. Cllr Pearson has been asked by another local parish council if the Barrow cum Denham Parish Council would consider going to the press with them about Highways. This was agreed in principle subject to finding out more information about what will be said.</p> <p>c) National Highways' Route Strategies Launch of Online Feedback Tool Responses by 30th November. Cllrs were asked to respond.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to contact Quiet Lanes to see if we are still able to progress with the designation of the Quiet Lane in Denham.</p>	
5941	<p>DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT</p> <p>Cllr Houlder confirmed that work had started on the budget which is a difficult task as they do not know how much help they will get from the Government and do not know how much they can increase the Council Tax by. Social care and education are under stress.</p> <p>There are a lot of landlords who will be evicting tenants due to non-payment which will put huge stress on housing as there are not enough houses.</p> <p>Lots of time is being spent helping the homeless.</p> <p>Cllr Houlder to investigate why number 38 Ley Road has been empty for so long.</p>	

5942	<p>To receive the Community Police Report</p> <p>a) PCC consultation on new Police and Crime Plan The Parish Council have received a 20 page document asking for feedback by 23rd November. Cllr R Rawlings to read and make comments. Message will be cascaded to residents and details will be on the website.</p> <p>Cllr R Rawlings read out the report – see appendix 1.</p>	
5943	<p>Community infrastructure</p> <p>a) Pond dredging The Clerk has arranged for a contractor to come out to quote on 5th November. Cllr Wesley and Cllr Bragg will try to attend.</p> <p>b) Fishing permit and signs The Clerk provided examples of the fishing permits. The Cllrs were all happy with them. The Clerk will order a stamp for the back of the permit.</p> <p>c) Painted Rocks Clerk to collate all the rocks and work out rough size. Clerk to discuss with Cllr Pettitt.</p> <p>d) Cemetery Repairs The Clerk was made aware of some issues at the cemetery. A local resident has repaired the water butt. Other repairs are being looked at.</p> <p>e) Illegal kindling selling in barrow The Clerk was made aware of someone illegally selling kindling. This is not a Parish Council issue. Clerk to suggest resident contacts trading standards and or the District Council.</p> <p>f) Post Box on the Green The post box is now in situ however we are now waiting for a barcode for it before it can be used. Cllr Bragg will continue to chase this</p> <p>g) Overgrowing hedge on pavement on Barrow Hill The Parish Council have been made aware of an overgrowing hedge on Barrow Hill. It was agreed the Clerk would write to the residents asking them to cut it back. The residents will be given 14 days before the issue is passed on to Highways to deal with.</p> <p>h) Trimming hedge near carpark Permission was given to business owner to trim back the hedge in the village carpark.</p> <p>i) Power on the playing field Cllr Wesley has requested the Parish Council reinstating the power on the playing field. This was proposed by Cllr Holmes and seconded by Cllr Pettitt. Cllr Wesley to obtain three quotes.</p>	<p>TB PW</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk JenP</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5944	<p>Introduction to the Town and Country Planning Association (TCPA) This was circulated. Cllr Kronbergs to read it and report back at the December meeting.</p>	ZK

5945	West Suffolk Council: Markets Review Survey This was circulated prior to the meeting. No response given	
5946	Handyperson Appointment/Pay This was deferred to the next meeting due to Cllr Pearson's absence.	
5947	Neighbourhood Plan The response to AECOM that was approved at the extraordinary meeting on 14 th October has been sent and acknowledged. The final draft of the site selection document should be received in the next couple of weeks	
5948	NHP Sub-Committee Members Cllr Steer has joined the NHP Sub Committee. Cllr Kronbergs to forward all relevant documentation to her.	
5949	Remembrance Day Cllr Wesley to provide barriers to temporarily close the road. A £20 payment to the Royal British Legion for a poppy wreath was agreed. This was proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Kronbergs.	PW
5950	Queens Jubilee Cllr Wesley to source three lime trees to plant for the Queen's Jubilee. It was agreed that all the children at Barrow Primary School would be given Jubilee mugs. Clerk to check lead times and prices.	PW Clerk
5951	December Meeting – Clerk on leave – confirm arrangements The Clerk will be on annual leave if the December Meeting is held as scheduled. It was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Steer that the December meeting would be held on Thursday 2 nd December to avoid this.	
5952	. Cemetery a) Ownership of Graves in the Cemetery In the past grave purchases have been recorded as being purchased by the funeral director on behalf of the family, raising questions about ownership. The Clerk has spoken to three funeral directors recorded as owning grave plots and all three confirmed this is not something they have ever done and that it must have been an administrative error at the time. It was agreed that the ownership of these graves should never have been recorded as the funeral director's but as that of the family member arranging the funeral. This was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Holmes. b) Membership to ICCM https://www.iccm-uk.com/iccm/membership/corporate-membership/ The Clerk requested membership to the ICCM who provide in-depth help and advice for running cemeteries. This was agreed. The cost is £95. This was proposed by Cllr Kronbergs and seconded by Cllr Holmes.	Clerk
5953	Terms of reference The amended terms of reference were approved. These were proposed by Cllr Holmes and seconded by Cllr Steer.	

5954	<p>Denham Nature Reserve SCC have cut the Denham Nature reserve but have not done a good job. They have missed a large area. Cllr Cousins has requested they come back to finish the job. The Clerk has instructed RH Landscapes to rake the area.</p>																									
5955	<p>SALC a) DEFRA Consultation on Amendments to Burial Regulations Clerk to look into this and report back at the next meeting b) SALC ebulletins Circulated for information.</p>	Clerk																								
5956	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>a) To receive the council's current financial statement Adoption of the Accounts were proposed by Cllr Ford seconded by Cllr Steer with all Councillors in agreement.</p> <p>⊕ 2021/2022 Accounts</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="290 898 1321 1137"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4">EXPENDITURE</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Cheque No.</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Notes</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>BACS</td> <td>R H Landscapes</td> <td>£354.00</td> <td>September cutting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BACS</td> <td>Verse</td> <td>£260.00</td> <td>Newslink Printing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BACS</td> <td>McGregor Services</td> <td>£366.00</td> <td>September cutting</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>b) To confirm payments</p> <p>Other invoices: RH Landscapes £354 Mcgregor Services £1,128 SALC £25</p> <p>The payments were approved. These were proposed by Cllr Holmes and seconded by Cllr R Rawlings with all in agreement.</p> <p>c) Clerks expenses The Clerk submitted expenses for travel, ink and overtime totalling £314.75. These were approved, as proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Cousins.</p>	EXPENDITURE				Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Notes	BACS	R H Landscapes	£354.00	September cutting	BACS	Verse	£260.00	Newslink Printing	BACS	McGregor Services	£366.00	September cutting					Clerk
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5957	<p>PLANNING DC/21/1817/FUL Church Farm, The Gym At Suffolk Academy Church Road Barrow IP29 5AX Planning application - a. change of use from sports use to camping and caravan site for additional 10 pitches; b. installation of treatment plant to replace current septic tank</p> <p>No Objection</p>																									

	<p>DC/21/1840/FUL Holiday Lodge Site Weeping Willow 39 Bury Road Barrow Suffolk Planning application - change of use from amenity land to nine holiday let lodges</p> <p>The Parish Council objects to this planning application as it contravenes planning policy DM2 The proposed plans would see the loss of the open space at the Weeping Willow, which would affect the appearance of the area. There are also ecological concerns: the proposal is to build on an open green space which would affect the wildlife living in this area. The Parish Council believes the historic character of the area could be compromised and has concern about additional noise and light pollution as well as increased vehicular activity given that parking is already a significant issue.</p>	
5958	<p>To note the following planning determinations</p> <p>DC/21/1731/HH 4 Beale Road Barrow IP29 5ES Householder planning application - single storey side and rear extension Approve application</p> <p>DC/21/1542/CLE Springfield Farm Colethorpe Lane Barrow IP29 5BE Application for lawful development for existing use or development - one tack room Approve application</p> <p>DC/21/1541/CLE Springfield Farm Colethorpe Lane Barrow IP29 5BE Application for lawful development certificate for existing use or development - use of building as single dwelling house Refuse application</p>	
5959	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 2nd December 2021, in the Committee Room of Barrow Village Hall at 7:15pm The meeting was closed 9:15pm</p>	

Signed: (Chairman) date.....

APPENDIX 1

COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT – NOVEMBER 2021 MESSAGES

There have been no messages from the Police to cascade to community, however a separate communication was received from the Police & Crime Commissioner, Tim Passmore, who has published a draft of his Police & Crime Plan for the period 2022 – 2025 and is inviting responses by undertaking a survey, which closes on the 22nd November. I am unable to access this - it says I have completed the survey, which is not the case.

Our Community Police Officer is currently deployed to the COP26 conference in Glasgow.

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021 – Total number = 6

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
Other Theft	On/near Johnson Rd	Unable to prosecute
Violence & Sexual	On/near Johnson Rd	Under investigation
Anti - Social	On/near The Street	No crime timeline data
Violence & Sexual	On/near Papeley Meadow	Unable to prosecute suspect
Anti-Social	On/near Barrow Rd, Denham	No crime timeline data
Criminal Damage & Arson	On/near Barrow Rd, Denham	Under investigation

Ralph Rawlings
1st November 2021

