

BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 2nd December 2021

Present:

Cllr Pearson Cllr R Rawlings Cllr Ford	Cllr Kronbergs Cllr Bragg Cllr Steer	Cllr Wesley Cllr Pettitt Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe
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Minute Ref		Action
5960	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Cousins, Cllr K Rawlings, Cllr Pettitt, Cllr Holmes	
5961	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS Cllr Steer declared an interest in Land East of Barrow Hill. Cllr Ford declared an interest in agenda item 25, land at the Three Horseshoes.	
5962	PUBLIC FORUM There was 1 member of the public present. Nothing was brought to the Council's attention.	
5963	Minutes of the last meeting The minutes from the Parish Council meeting on 2 nd November were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr R Rawlings with all Councillors in agreement.	
5964	COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Soons confirmed there has been no response from Paul West regarding his visit to Barrow to look at Highways issues/drainage. Cllr Soons drew the council's attention to her monthly report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning permission for Haverhill recycling centre has been granted • Climate Change – County is committed to being carbon neutral by 2030 • Suffolk CC to invest £12.8m to decarbonise its buildings • Everyone needs to work together to ease pressure on the hospital. Cllr Soons confirmed that Chevington Close are open for walk ins and are looking for volunteers. Cllr R Rawlings raised concerns over the unnecessary form filling needed to become a volunteer.	
5965	Highways a) A14 junctions 35 to 37, in both directions: essential maintenance The Parish Council have been notified of the closure. The traffic will be leaving the A14 at Newmarket.	

	<p>b) Drains in Barrow/pond Karen Soons is going to request a site meeting with Paul West to discuss the pond dredging. The clerk has been unable to find a contractor willing to take on the job.</p> <p>c) Pavement opposite the Doctor's Surgery Highways confirmed to the Clerk that the job should cost £3,500. Cllr Soons was not aware of this. Cllr Soons to raise it up the line. Cllr Soons to remind Paul West about the meeting and request feedback.</p>	
5966	<p>DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Houlder confirmed the District Council are preparing their budget for the coming year. There is a significant budget gap at present, specifically for social care. The new Western Way Hub is under constant review but Cllr Houlder is confident that it will still go ahead. The Health Trust are finalising plans for the hospital before submitting them for planning. It was confirmed that the Parish Council have been offered a presentation about the new hospital, the offer has been accepted.</p> <p>The local plan is still being fine tuned and being prepared for public consultation.</p> <p>Cllr Houlder offered some of his locality budget for a jubilee keepsake for the school children in Barrow.</p>	
5967	<p>To receive the Community Police Report Cllr R Rawlings delivered the community police report (see appendix 1).</p>	
5968	<p>Community infrastructure</p> <p>a) Pond dredging Cllr Pearson suggested obtaining quotes to have drainage pipe put in at the correct height so the road can drain into the pond instead of dredging the pond.</p> <p>b) Post Box on the Green The post box on the Green is now operational. The Parish Council plan to lobby Royal Mail for another post box near Johnson Road. Cllr Bragg to get contact.</p> <p>c) Overgrowing hedge on pavement on Barrow Hill The hedge was cut back very quickly after receiving the letter. There is no measurement for the distance from the highway to the hedge, the hedge must not obstruct the highway.</p> <p>d) Overgrowing Hedge Brittons Crescent Clerk to write to the owner asking for it to be cut back. IF this is not done within 14 days Highways will be informed.</p> <p>e) Overgrown Trees outside the Town Estate Room The Clerk has reported this to UK Power Networks and provided the reference number to the resident.</p>	<p>TB</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>f) Broken Fence near pond The Clerk has received one quote so far and had requested a second. Cllr R Rawlings to get another.</p>	RR Clerk
5969	<p>Notice of Order – footpath Denham This was circulated prior to the meeting. The footpath is being made official. The correspondence was for information only.</p>	
5970	<p>Lorry Route Map Review in Suffolk This was circulated prior to the meeting – for information only.</p>	
5971	<p>Handyperson Appointment/Pay Cllr Pearson to investigate practicalities of appointing a handyman and come back with answers at the next meeting. The Clerk to ask other Parish Councils.</p>	JP Clerk
5972	<p>Neighbourhood Plan AECOM have not yet sent the revised report after receiving the Parish Council's comments on the draft report. The report needs to be approved by Locality. This is needed ASAP to enable us to proceed to the pre-submission consultation stage.</p> <p>Cllr Kronbergs to push WSC for a meeting to discuss housing need numbers.</p> <p>There have been some sightings of great crested newts in Denham. These sightings have been lodged with Suffolk Wildlife trust and WSC will be informed.</p> <p>Cllr Kronbergs proposed joining the Town and Country Planning Association, it will be beneficial for the NHP process, the Parish Council would have access to planning material and advice. This was seconded by Cllr Ford with all in agreement.</p> <p>Once the meeting with WSC has taken place, Cllr Kronberg will ask Planning Direct to finalise the planning policies.</p>	ZK
5973	<p>Dog Fouling Campaign West Suffolk have started a campaign regarding dog fouling as it increases at this time of the year. Clerk to include poster in Newslink.</p>	Clerk
5974	<p>Christmas</p> <p>a) Christmas lights The Parish Council approved the cost of additional Christmas lights (£315). The actual cost is £330.97. This cost was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Wesley with all in agreement.</p> <p>b) Carol singing on the Green The Clerk received correspondence from the Church regarding a carol service on the Green on 15th December at 6pm. This was approved by the Parish Council.</p>	

5975	<p>Queen's Jubilee</p> <p>a) Mugs The Clerk provided examples of jubilee mugs with costings. Numbers to be confirmed at the February meeting. Cllr Houlder to provide some money from his locality budget.</p> <p>b) Celebration The plan is to plant four new trees in the village – on The Green, Burthorpe Green, at the school and a new poplar at the back of the playing field.</p> <p>The Church are considering planning a street party for the Jubilee on Sunday 12th June and there will be a national service held in the cathedral, the plan is for the service to be replicated in village churches.</p> <p>Cllr Steer has offered to be the Parish Council representative on the event committee.</p>	Clerk
5976	<p>Finance sub-committee Members</p> <p>Cllr Kronbergs was added to the finance committee.</p>	
5977	<p>Minor Charities sub-committee member</p> <p>Cllr Bragg to join the minor charities sub-committee.</p> <p>Clerk to add planning committee members to the agenda for the next meeting.</p>	Clerk
5978	<p>Cemetery Policy</p> <p>This was circulated prior to the meeting. The policy was proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Kronbergs</p>	
5979	<p>Data Mapping</p> <p>This was circulated prior to the meeting. The data mapping document was proposed by Cllr Steer and seconded by Cllr Wesley</p>	
5980	<p>GDPR Risk Assessment</p> <p>This was circulated prior to the meeting. The risk assessment was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Steer</p>	
5981	<p>Allotment Privacy Policy</p> <p>This was circulated prior to the meeting. The policy was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings and seconded by Cllr Kronbergs</p>	
5982	<p>SALC</p> <p>a) DEFRA Consultation on Amendments to Burial Regulations The Parish Council decided not to respond to this consultation.</p> <p>b) SALC ebulletins Circulated for information.</p>	
5983	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>a) To receive the council's current financial statement Adoption of the Accounts was proposed by Cllr R Rawlings seconded by Cllr Ford with all Councillors in agreement.</p>	

	<p>b) To confirm payments</p> <p>Invoices: RH Landscapes £468 Hammond Ford £162</p> <p>The payments were approved. These were proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Steer with all in agreement.</p> <p>c) To approve budget 2022/23 The budget was agreed with additional lines added for the Queen's Jubilee, elections and 4% of precept for a data breach.</p> <p>d) To approve Precept for 2022/23 The precept was agreed at £26,962 and increase of approximately 3%. This was proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr Steer.</p>	Clerk																														
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	<p>contravening planning policy DM2. The proposal is not in keeping with the surrounding properties either in size, appearance of amount of outdoor space. There are also concerns about losing the pub.</p> <p>DC/21/2146/FUL Pathfinder Stables Colethorpe Lane Barrow Suffolk IP29 5BE Planning application - Detached American barn</p> <p>No Objection</p>	
5985	<p>To note the following planning determinations</p> <p>DC/21/1704/HH Land Adjacent Church Farmhouse Church Lane Barrow Suffolk Householder planning application - a. single storey rear extension b. walk way around building c. installation of patio d. gravel driveway APPROVED</p> <p>DC/21/1705/LB Land Adjacent Church Farmhouse Church Lane Barrow Suffolk Application for listed building consent - single storey rear extension APPROVED</p> <p>DC/21/1816/HH Moat Cottage 26 The Street Barrow IP29 5AP Householder planning application - first floor rear extension APPROVED</p> <p>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 APPROVED</p> <p>DC/20/1394/FUL Dwelling Barrow Hall Church Road Barrow Suffolk Planning Application - Change of use and conversion of part of an agricultural building to provide habitable space to an existing dwelling. WITHDRAWN</p> <p>There are concerns that people are living at the caravan site – clerk to bring this to the attention of the planning department.</p>	KB
5986	<p>Meeting dates till May 2022</p> <p>The dates were circulated prior to the meeting. These were proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Steer. Clerk to add to website.</p>	KB
5987	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>7th February 2022 in the Committee Room of Barrow Village Hall at 7:15pm The meeting was closed 9:30pm</p>	

Signed: (Chairman) date.....

APPENDIX 1

COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT – DECEMBER 2021

MESSAGES

There was one message to cascade which related to a free on -line training session called Dementia Friends, run by Care UK which was raising awareness and providing some help in working within the community.

Our Community Police Officer, PC Lee Andrews-Pearce came to Barrow on the 23rd November to meet with the community speed watch team at Papeley Meadow, evidently there was a reduction in speeding whilst he was there. He has since requested that their proactive team, Kestral, undertakes speed checks at Papeley Meadow and Johnson Road.

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2021 – Total number = 4

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
Violence & Sexual	On/near Ley Road	Unable to prosecute
Violence & Sexual	On/near Green Farm Lane	Under investigation
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During this month the Premier Store in the car park, reported they had suffered shoplifting which had been captured on CCTV, the police did eventually turn up to take statements. This crime will no doubt be recorded in November's figures once they are released.

I will provide a summary of all reported crimes for 2021 which I will present at the next full PC meeting in February 2022

Ralph Rawlings
2nd December 2021