

BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON Monday 6th February 2023

Present:

Cllr R Rawlings Cllr Wesley	Cllr Ford Cllr Pearson	Cllr Steer Cllr K Rawlings Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe
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Minute Ref		Action
6274	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Bragg, Cllr Cousins Cllr Holmes and Cllr Kronbergs	
6275	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS Cllr Steer declared an interest in agenda item 7, the Neighbourhood Plan.	
6276	<p>PUBLIC FORUM There were 36 members of the public present.</p> <p>A resident confirmed they had received a leaflet regarding the Bloor Homes Community Workshop and asked if Pigeon would be doing something similar. They also asked if the Parish Council would have more presence during the consultation process.</p> <p>Cllr R Rawling confirmed the event was a Bloor Homes initiative, the Parish Council had no involvement. It was stated that when it comes to the consultation process a full presentation will be made by the Parish Council regarding site selection and the NHP. The landowners on Barrow Hill will undertake a similar community workshop to Bloor Homes. This would be arranged by the landowners and nothing to do with the Parish Council.</p> <p>A representative of Bloor Homes confirmed an email had been sent on 26th January informing the Parish Council of the event. He stated that Bloor Homes had engaged with the Parish Council. The workshop is an opportunity for parishioners to have their say. The leaflet was sent via the postal system.</p> <p>A representative from Fleur Hill LLP asked if there was any support for the land near the school. It was stated that WSC had deferred the site which meant the Parish Council were unable to put the site forward.</p> <p>The Parish Council were asked if they the legal battle with WSC was being pursued regarding site selection. Cllr Pearson confirmed that free legal advice had been sought and they agreed with us that they could not understand WSC resistance to our preferred sites, particularly as we have reluctantly agreed to the housing numbers. If the NHP is put in place before the local plan is finished the Parish Council could put more pressure on WSC to accept their site selection. WSC have delayed their local plan.</p>	

	<p>Cllr Pearson confirmed which ever site is chosen it will not impact him as he lives central. He is passionate that the village benefits from any new development. It is not up to the Parish Council to decide. The community needs to have their say on what they would like to see as a result of any new development.</p> <p>Cllr Pearson wants to make sure the maximum number of new houses is 170. He encouraged people to attend the Bloor Homes Community Workshop.</p> <p>One resident raised concerns over the congestion in the village from new homes and asked why the site in the North of the village was deferred. WSC deferred the site due to an ancient monument. The site fails on certain criteria.</p> <p>The Parish Council were asked how Bloor Homes became the representative for the Bury Road site. The Parish Council could not answer this as they themselves found out via the Bury Free Press, despite trying for months to arrange a meeting with WSC.</p>	
6277	<p>Minutes of the last meeting The minutes from the Parish Council meeting on 5th December 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr Steer with all Councillors in agreement.</p> <p>The minutes from the extraordinary meeting on 16th January 2023 were also circulated. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr Steer with all Councillors in agreement.</p>	
6278	<p>COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Soons sent the report prior to the meeting. Clerk to upload to website.</p> <p>Cllr Soons confirmed net zero plans were progressing, but the target of 2032 was ambitious.</p> <p>Cllr Soons encouraged residents to make use of the online reporting tool for any Highways issues.</p>	
6279	<p>Highways</p> <p>a) Footpath resurfacing Clerk to measure out footpath from Johnson Road to the pond for resurfacing. Cllr Soons to provide some locality budget. Parish Council could use some of the money from the Croziers Account.</p> <p>b) Setting up road work alerts one.network For information, online tool to find out when and where roadworks are planned.</p> <p>c) Suffolk Highways - Upcoming works - C659 Barrow Hill, Barrow (from Barrow Road to Simpson Way) and C659 Barrow Road, Hargrave - 3 February 2023) Repair work to be carried out. Road to be shut from Simpson Way.</p>	Clerk

	<p>d) Important roadworks information - A14 junction 35 to 37 For information</p> <p>e) ANPR scheme link to sign up. Clerk to investigate signing up for the scheme.</p>	
6280	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN See appendix 1 for the report.</p>	
6281	<p>DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Houlder informed the Parish Council that WSC are working on their budget, inflation and COVID have created a shortfall land will for the next few years. This gap will be closed using reserves this year.</p> <p>WSC element of the council tax is capped by government. The police and SCC precept is increasing.</p> <p>Cllr Houlder made the Parish Council aware that he has some of his locality budget left. Clerk to contact Cllr Houlder to discuss.</p>	Clerk
6282	<p>To receive the Community Police Report See appendix two for the police report from Cllr R Rawlings.</p>	
6283	<p>Community infrastructure a) Painted rock bench Bench now ready. Contractor to collect stones from Clerk.</p>	Clerk
6284	<p>Clerk Vacancy No applications to date</p>	
6285	<p>Coronation of King Charles III Cllr Steer to lead. Considering something similar to the jubilee, a party in the park with live music, food, inflatables. Clerk and Cllr Wesley to help with organising. Clerk to ask about locality funding to cover the cost.</p>	Clerk
6286	<p>Jubilee Mugs Cllr Bragg has some left over stock. Ideas required to shift the stock.</p>	All
6287	<p>Update to West Suffolk Local Plan timeline The local plan timeline has slipped back. The consultation will be in the latter half of the year.</p>	
6288	<p>Quiet Lanes The Quiet Lanes (Denham Lane and Brockley Lane) have now been designated. The Parish Council are awaiting signs.</p>	
6289	<p>MRW Price – clothing bank Payments will be reviewed monthly going forward.</p>	
6290	<p>Community Emergency Plans For information. The Parish Council does not plan to progress with an emergency plan at this time.</p>	

6291	Levelling Up the Conversation: Skills for the Future of Suffolk For information	
6292	Parish Biodiversity Action Plans & Ecological Assessments For information – Could be of useful for the NHP	
6293	Rural Cost of Living Survey - Your Help Needed to Encourage Participation Cllr Rawlings to cascade. Clerk to add to website.	
6294	Delivering affordable rural housing across West Suffolk Cllr Pearson to complete the questionnaire.	
6295	Voter ID communication material Photo ID will be required for voting. To get round this Parishioners can request a postal vote.	
6296	SALC a) SALC ebulletins Circulated for information b) Clerk Election Briefing Available to listen to on the SALC website.	
6297	Financial Matters a) To receive the council's current financial statement The amount quoted for resurfacing the green is quoted as two different figures. Subject to the amount being corrected, the adoption of the Accounts was proposed by Cllr Ford seconded by Cllr Steer with all Councillors in agreement. b) To confirm payments	

PAYMENTS TO BE PRESENTED AT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 6TH FEBRUARY 2023

2022/2023 Accounts

EXPENDITURE

Date	Payee	Amount	Notes
BACS – 01/12/2022	T Austin	£152.00	November wages
BACS – 06/12/2022	HMRC	£38.00	November PAYE/NI
BACS – 29/12/2022	K Bowe	£565.00	December wages
BACS – 12/01/2023	Verse	£260.00	Newslink Printing
BACS – 12/01/2023	T Austin	£121.60	December wages
BACS – 12/01/2023	HMRC	£30.40	December PAYE/NI
BACS – 24/01/2023	Wave	£138.29	Water Mill Lane
BACS – 30/01/2023	K Bowe	£565.00	January wages

c) To approve invoices
Hammond Ford: £546
McGregor Services: £156
R H Landscapes: £798

The payments and invoiced were proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr R Rawlings

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PLANNING
None

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To note the following planning determinations

DC/22/1427/LB

Thatched Cottage 12 The Green Barrow Suffolk IP29 5DT Application for listed building consent - a. remove plasterboard on two internal walls and replace b. remove concrete floor in ground floor room and replace.

APPROVED

6300

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6th March 2023 in the Committee Room of Barrow Village Hall at 7:15pm.

The meeting was closed at 9:06pm

Signed: (Chairman) date.....

Notes for PC meeting Ref NP, 6th February 2023

- 1. Since meeting on the 16th January we met with Planning Direct**
- 2. They are prepared to work with us, misunderstanding in October as to why they 'dropped us!**
- 3. PD have submitted an estimate to continue working with us on the NP; their cost is similar to Turley.**
- 4. Likely there will be additional cost once draft is completed to incorporate any required changes following consultations, legislation.**
- 5. Investigating additional grants, left messages for Central Locality Office (from whom we had received previous grant) to contact us to advise on current process and funds available. To date we have had no response.**
- 6. Decision for PC whether to proceed and to agree spend of circa £20k; this will need to be actioned as soon as confirmation of available grant is known.**
- 7. We received last week a notification from WS that their time frame for the Local Plan has now slipped (see notification). This will be of benefit to us (see also item 15 on tonight's agenda)**
- 8. Bloor homes has distributed a leaflet to residents advising they are conducting a Community Workshop on the 8th February. In the script they state they are engaging with the Parish Council. For the record we can state categorically that they ARE NOT. They did not have the courtesy to advise us in advance of this event and we learnt at the same time as everyone else when receiving the leaflet.**
- 9. I can confirm that the landowners of the Barrow Hill site will be conducting a Community Workshop; date and details to be confirmed.**

**Ralph Rawlings
3rd February 2023**

Appendix two

COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2023

MESSAGES CASCADED

The county Police Crime Commissionaire undertaking a survey for members of the public to put forward their views regarding the proposal to increase the Police precept by £15 per annum, based on a Band D property. This proposal has now been approved.

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER '22 – Total 4

Violence & Sexual = 1

Anti - Social Behaviour = 1

Other Theft = 1

Public Order Offence=1

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
Anti-Social Behaviour	On or near Stoney Lane	No crime timeline
Public Order Offence	On or near Stoney Lane	Under investigation
Violence & Sexual	On or near Poplar Close	Unable to prosecute suspect
Other Theft	On or near Johnson Road	Unable to prosecute suspect

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF November '22 – Total number = 2

Burglary– 1

Violence & Sexual – 1

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
Burglary	On or near Stoney Lane	No suspect identified.
Violence and Sexual	On or near Simpson Way	Under investigation

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER '22 – Total 4

Violence & Sexual = 3

Burglary = 1

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
Violence & Sexual	On or near Simpson Way	Unable to prosecute suspect
Violence & Sexual	On or near Simpson Way	Unable to prosecute suspect
Violence & Sexual	On or near Poplar Close	Under investigation
Burglary	On or near Barrow Rd, Denham	Investigation complete, no suspect identified

SUMMARY OF REPORTED CRIME FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY – DECEMBER 2022

LOCATION	V & S	ASB	CD/Arson	Other/Theft	Public Order	Vehicle crime	Burglary	Totals
Coal Pit Lane	1							1
Car Park (Fish Chip area)				2				2
Dale Tree	1							1

Orchard Barns			1					1
Johnson Road		1		3		5		9
Sharpes Hill/Stoney Lane		1	1	1	1		1	5
Barrow Hill	1	2	1	2		2		8
Church Road				1		1		2
Hudson Way	2							2
Green Farm Lane	1							1
Meadow Way	1	1			1			3
Petticoat Lane	1		1	1				3
Ley Road	1							1
The Street	1							1
Barrow Rd, Denham				1		1		2
Poplar Cl	8			3				11
Simpson Way	3			1				4
Cedar CR	3	1	1		1			6
Mill Lane		1						1
Haysborder RD				1				1
McDonald Way		1						1
Bury Rd	1							1
Totals	25	8	5	16	3	9	1	67

CRIME TIMELINE SUMMARY FOR PERIOD JANUARY– DECEMBER 2022 (Status as at 2/2/23)

Unable to Prosecute Suspect	18	Reasons could include insufficient evidence
No suspect identified	6	
Under Investigation	32	
Transferred to another agency to investigate	3	
No crime line data available	8	Relates to anti-social behaviour.
Status update unavailable		Nothing to add for over 12 weeks

YEARLY COMPARISON

CATEGORY	2022	2021	% Difference	COMMENTS
Anti-Social Behaviour	8	8	0%	

Public Order Offence	3	3	0%	
Violence & Sexual	25	31	(19.5%)	Includes claims from same address, each recorded separately.
Other Theft	16	7	130%	Includes handling/ selling stolen goods or anything else without a specific category.
Burglary	1	0	-	
Vehicle Crime	9	0	-	Relates to one night when multiple cars broken into at night. Perpetrator caught.
Criminal Damage/Arson	5	5	0%	
Totals	67	54	24.07%	

CRIME TIMELINE YEARLY COMPARISON

CATEGORY	2022	2021	COMMENTS
Unable to Prosecute Suspect	18	26	Reason could be lack of evidence.
No suspect identified	6	10	
Under Investigation	32	3	As at date, have not been able to check each individual crime for latest update
Transferred to another agency to investigate	3	4	
No crime line data available	8	9	Refers to ASB
Status update unavailable	0	2	Typo error in report February 2022, 3 quoted instead of 2.
Totals	67	54	

**Note – V & S is Violence and Sexual offences.
AB is Anti- Social Behaviour
CD/Arson is Criminal Damage & Arson**

Ralph Rawlings
3rd February 2023