BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 1st June 2020

Present:

Cllr Pearson	Cllr Holmes	Cllr Kronbergs
Cllr M Howard	Cllr Wesley	Cllr Cousins
Cllr Wilcock	Cllr Hudson	
		Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe
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Minute Ref		Action
5566	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Ford and Cllr Pettitt	
5567	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS None	
5568	PUBLIC FORUM None.	
5569	OFFICERS AND SUBCOMMITTES John Bainbridge has confirmed he will be footpaths officer for the coming year.	
5570	COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT The Rights of Way Officer has confirmed that the two fences across the new footpath from Chevington to Horringer will be removed. Cllr Pearson was invited to walk the new footpath by Cllr Soons. Recycling centres are open but by appointment only. Private vans now allowed.	
	Cllr Pearson raised ongoing issues with the ponds, stating the outfall was not the problem, the problem appears to be under the road.	
5571	To receive the Community Police Report. Detailed police report received. Main issues in the area include theft of bicycles and cars. The police are appealing for volunteers for neighbourhood watch. Clerk to circulate the report.	Clerk
5572	Minutes of the last meeting Having been previously circulated, the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4 th May 2020, were proposed by Cllr Hudson and seconded by Cllr Kronbergs with all Councillors in agreement. Cllr Kronbergs asked for change to the minutes as the incorrect location for the meeting was stated, it should read Virtual meeting via Zoom. Clerk to make change.	Clerk

5572	Volunteer Scheme Clerk provides update on the volunteer scheme. Some volunteers have now resigned due to work commitments. The scheme is working well.	
	Facemasks A local resident is making facemasks and has requested a grant from the Parish Council to provide face masks for people in the village. The Parish Council decided against a grant due to lack of demand.	
5574	Village Infrastructure a) Street Cleaner The street cleaner is now back. It was decided the bin near the tennis court could be removed as there is a new bin at the entrance of the playing field. The new bin is emptied by the District Council. b) Village Sign A resident has complained about the safety of the Village sign. A risk assessment was carried out last year and the sign was deemed safe. Cllr Pearson to conduct another risk assessment and the clerk will purchase a 'No Climbing' sign. c) Parking outside Orchard Farm Barns A resident has complained about parking outside Orchard Farm Barns. People park on the grass verge while they fish. The water meter for the properties is located in the grass verge and this has been damaged. It was agreed the Parish Council would install some no parking signs and a sign to confirm the pond is Parish Council Property and fishing licences are required. Cllr Pearson to obtain quote for signs. Cllr Wesley to install. It was agreed that a maximum of £50 could be spent on these signs. This was proposed by Cllr Wesley and seconded by Cllr Wilcock with all in agreement. d) Access from The Green to property A resident on The Green has asked if they can access their property via The	Clerk JP/ PW/ Clerk
	Green instead of the street. This was agreed in principle however the resident would be liable for all legal costs, The agreement would have to include a clause stating no parking allowed on The Green and the resident would be expected to upgrade the access road. e) Removing dead branches in the Pond on The Street Cllr Wesley to obtain a quote to have the pond cleared.	PW
	f) Notice Board Previously the Parish Council had agreed a budget of £500 for a new notice board for clubs and societies to use. The Clerk has been unable to find a suitable notice board for this price. A notice board like the one outside the village hall costs approximately £1,500. Cllr Houlder confirmed he could use some of his locality budget to purchase the notice board. A budget of £1,500 was agreed. This was proposed by Cllr Howard and seconded by Cllr Wesley.	Clerk
5575	Newslink It was agreed not to charge advertisers for this issue of Newslink due to COVID-19. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.	

5576	Neighbourhood Plan Cllr Howard confirmed the Parish Council is the recipient of more grant money for a Strategic Environmental Assessment and a Habitat Regulation Assessment. These will be conducted by AECOM. This is a substantial piece of work. One or two consultants will visit Barrow to look at the landscape and to be briefed. Providing lockdown continues to ease and the questionnaire is approved, it could be launched in the third or fourth week of June. Barrow Good Neighbours have offered to help. Barrow Ducks have also offered to help to publicise it but not influence it. It was decided that the questionnaire would only be for over 18's due to	
	concerns about collating personal data on minors. The questionnaire was approved by all and will be advertised on the notice board and the website.	MH/ Clerk
5577	BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Houlder confirmed that he has some locality budget to spend, he is happy to listen to any funding needs. Cllr Houlder received a lot of email traffic about the planning application DC/20/0694/FUL. Parents are very worried about the prospect of losing a second pre school facility in the village.	
	Things are beginning to open up, hopefully businesses will get back on track. Cllr Pearson raised issue of business grants not being available for businesses in shared premises. Cllr Houlder to speak to the finance team.	
	Council officers are working from home but still working. Lots of resources being put into homelessness.	
	Public consultation for SHELAA was scheduled for May but this was put back to August and now possibly November. Cllr Houlder believed the housing need for this area to be around 260 but this figure could change.	
5578	Social Cooperative Cllr Kronbergs will contact and establish what they want from the Parish Council. To be added to the July Agenda.	ZK
5579	Financial Matters a) To receive the council's current financial statement Adoption of the Accounts were proposed by Cllr Hudson seconded by Cllr Wilcock with all Councillors in agreement.	
	b) To confirm payments None	
	c) Approval of Annual Financial Accounts to 31st March 2018 The financial accounts were circulated prior to the meeting. The Annual Financial Accounts were approved. This was proposed by Cllr Kronbergs and seconded by Cllr Holmes with all Councillors in agreement.	

	They were Signed by JP		
	d) Approve Section 1 of the Annual Return - The Annual Governance Statement This was moved to the July meeting		
	e) Approve Section 2 of the Annual Return - The Accounting Statements		
	This was moved to the July meeting f) Audit cost 4 hrs at £25 per hour The cost of the audit was 4 hours at £25 per hour. This was proposed by Cllr		
	Wilcock and seconded by Cllr Cousins with all in agreement.		
5580	PLANNING DC/20/0693/FUL Land Adjacent 16 The Green Barrow Suffolk Planning Application - 2 no. dwellings and associated car parking (following demolition of outbuilding and swimming pool) The Parish Council decided to object based on DM30 – taking away employment land for residential. The nursery employs 20 staff and has been operating in the village for 24 years. If this nursery is closed, Barrow will have no preschool provision at all. DC/20/0694/LB Land Adjacent 16 The Green Barrow Suffolk Listed Building Application - 1 no. dwellings and associated parking (following demolition of outbuilding) Same as above.		
	DC/20/0692/HH 8 Bury Road Barrow IP29 5DE Householder Planning Application - Single storey rear extension (previous application DC/17/2643/HH) No objection		
5581	To note the following planning determinations DC/20/0393/FUL Barrow Hall Stables Church Road Barrow IP29 5AX Planning Application - 1no. shed (following removal of 2no. existing sheds) Approved		
5582	Correspondence 01/05/20 Resident Village Sign See item 5574b		
	May Suffolk County Council Home But not Alone Newsletters Circulated – for information		
	May Karen Soons Covid-19 Briefings Circulated		
	14/05/20 H.M. Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk Letter For information		

	19/05/20 Suffolk Police Stick with it Suffolk For information	
	23/05/20 Karen Soons Footpaths in Chevington For information	
	23/05/20 Karen Soons Verge Cutting Verges due to be cut 22 nd June	
	26/05/20 Karen Soons Footpath Chevington to Horringer For information	
5583	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 6th July 2020, virtual meeting via Zoom at 7.15pm.	
	The meeting was closed at 9pm	

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