

BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 7th June 2021

Present:

Cllr Pearson Cllr Rawlings	Cllr Holmes Cllr Kronbergs	Cllr Ford Clerk in attendance: Kat Bowe
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Minute Ref		Action
5823	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies from Cllr Bragg, Cllr Hudson, Cllr Wesley, and Cllr Cousins. Cllr Pettitt was not present.	
5824	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS None	
5825	PUBLIC FORUM There was one member of the public present. Nothing was brought to the Council's attention.	
5826	Confirm Cllr Pettitt's Sub Committee Roles The Clerk received confirmation that Cllr Pettitt was happy to continue her role on the Charity sub-committee.	
5827	COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT Cllr Soons provided her report before the meeting. She confirmed there has been a slight reshuffle following the election with some roles being split into two. Highways is being divided into operational highways and strategic highways. There will also be a deputy for drainage. The extended timeframe for pothole repairs is coming to an end so hopefully potholes should be repaired quicker. Cllr Soons chased Highways regarding the broken signpost near the shop and suggested the Parish Council consider co-funding a new post. It was stated that yellow paint is being sprayed where repairs are needed and the repairs are not being carried out. Cllr Soons encouraged everyone to take photos of any examples for her to forward onto operational highways. The verges are becoming dangerous. Cllr Soons to provide a cutting schedule. The grips should also be cut each year, Cllr Soons to provide a schedule for these too. Clerk to email Cllr Soons.	Clerk

5828	<p>DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT</p> <p>Cllr Houlder confirmed there was not much to report. Parking charges across the district are due to increase on 5th July. Forest Heath haven't had an increase for 9 years.</p> <p>The proposed new Council Village has been delayed. Cllr Houlder due to attend a presentation about it. It will include new offices/leisure centre and police buildings and space for the NHS.</p> <p>The District Council are waiting too see how much extra they will be receiving from the Government, there have been talks on cutting services, rents are down and council tax arrears are increasing. A fifth of the District Councils income is from Council tax. Other income such as car parking is also down.</p> <p>Plans for the hospital are unclear, originally it was thought that Bury would be getting a new hospital, now there are talks about new outbuildings for some of the outpatient services.</p> <p>Cllr Houlder has not yet heard anything about the planning application at the Three Horseshoes Pub but confirmed the application would be going to Development Control.</p>	
5829	<p>To receive the Community Police Report</p> <p>Cllr Rawlings provided the police report, confirming there were no messages to cascade in April. There were 462 crimes in the Bury St Edmunds area of which 5 were in the parish, 4 in Burthorpe (1 public order and 3 violence/sexual) and one in Barrow near Johnson Road (violent/sexual). Violent/sexual crimes make up 40% of the total number of crimes in the Bury St Edmunds area.</p> <p>PC Lee Andrews Pearce is keen to engage with the Parish Council, he is hoping to create greater visibility with foot patrols and cars driving through the village. He is also keen to attend events, including a Parish Council meeting. Cllr Rawlings to arrange.</p> <p>Cllr Rawling has raised the possibility of the community speed watch team being allowed to stand at Johnson Road. PC Lee Andrews Pearce to investigate it. If it is not possible he is happy to stand at Johnson Road site while the community speed watch team are on The Green. Cllr Rawlings to report back.</p>	RR
5830	<p>Minutes of the last meeting</p> <p>The minutes from the Parish Council meeting on 17th May 2021 we circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Kronbergs and seconded by Cllr Rawlings with all Councillors in agreement.</p>	
5831	<p>Highways</p> <p>Nothing further to discuss covered under minute ref 5827</p>	

5832	<p>Village Infrastructure</p> <p>a) VAS for Colethorpe Lane The post has been installed and the clerk has a schedule of dates for the 40mph VAS.</p> <p>b) Great British Spring Clean The Parish Council will take part in this when the time is right.</p> <p>c) Verges along the Street Complaint received about the verges on the street. Clerk to write to residents who drive over the verges to access their drives to request they apply for a dropped kerb and make good the verges.</p> <p>d) Brittons Road Pond, overgrown Complaint received about the pond. It was agreed that the rewilding is a good thing, allowing nature to come back. The pond will be left as it is for now.</p>	
5833	<p>Oak tree and limes trees for donation and planting on the Green A local resident has offered some tree saplings to the Parish Council for planting on the Green to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Elizabeth II. Cllr Wesley to respond and request the saplings are kept until they are stronger.</p>	JP
5834	<p>Barrow Village Hall The Parish Council were approached by an organisation wishing to purchase the village hall. It was agreed the Parish Council would decline this offer.</p>	
5835	<p>Response re working hours at woodland Rise The clerk received correspondence from Hopkins Homes confirming that they are not operating outside of the agreed hours and drawing attention to the planning agreement re the extended hours stating this extension had been extended to 30th September. Clerk to confirm.</p>	Clerk
5836	<p>Ref 57182448 Anglian Water strategic water network programme – route planning in your area Update on progress.</p>	
5837	<p>Town Estate Room Cllr Pearson spoke with The chair of trustees for the Town Estate Room. During this conversation the trustee agreed to delay issuing a 5 yea lease to Colouxbox, however subsequent correspondence states they are pushing forward with the 5 year lease.</p> <p>The clerk was asked to seek advice from West Suffolk Council's legal team.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Parish Council would seek their own legal advice. A sum of £1000 was agreed for initial advice. This was proposed by Cllr Ford and seconded by Cllr Rawlings.</p>	
5838	<p>S106 Monies The Clerk has received confirmation that the section 106 monies from the Woodland Rise development must be spent in Barrow, there is a degree of flexibility on how the money is spent and there is no imminent time restraint on its use. It was confirmed by West Suffolk council the money could be spent on updating the existing village hall to include changing facilities.</p>	

	Agenda item for next meeting – S106 subcommittee.																	
5839	Fun Fair change of dates The Clerk received a request to change the planned dates for the fun fair. The new dates are 2 nd August to 9 th August. This was agreed.																	
5840	SALC AGM 29th July 2021 Cllr Kronbergs plans to attend.																	
5841	Neighbourhood Planning workshop for Local Councils The Parish Council have the opportunity to attend the above workshop on July 5 th 1pm-2:30pm via Zoom. It was agreed that Cllr Kronbergs would attend along with Cllr Ford.																	
5842	Neighbourhood Plan See appendix 1 for report. Clerk and Cllr Kronbergs to collate necessary documents to send to AECOM. Parish Council to complete site selection process based on opinions/recommendations from AECOM. The Parish Council were under the impression the Planning Direct were in the process of completing the draft policies. Unfortunately, this was not correct. Planning Direct were awaiting responses from the consultation. Cllr Kronbergs to send the analysis of the responses and ask for draft policies to be completed ASAP.	Clerk ZK																
5843	Financial Matters a) To receive the council's current financial statement Adoption of the Accounts were proposed by Cllr Ford seconded by Cllr Kronbergs with all Councillors in agreement. b) To confirm payments <div>2021/2022 Accounts EXPENDITURE<table><tr><th>Cheque No.</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th><th>Notes</th></tr><tr><td>BACS</td><td>RH Landscapes</td><td>£192.00</td><td>April grass cutting</td></tr><tr><td>BACS</td><td>McGregor Services</td><td>£828.00</td><td>April grass cutting</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table></div> Other invoices: Also agreed payment of Mole contract up to £400. Payments were proposed by Cllr Holmes seconded by Cllr Rawlings with all Councillors in agreement.	Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Notes	BACS	RH Landscapes	£192.00	April grass cutting	BACS	McGregor Services	£828.00	April grass cutting					Clerk
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5844	PLANNING DC/21/1005/HH Church Farmhouse Church Lane Barrow IP29 5BA Householder planning application - 2.7 metre high chain link fence to enclose tennis court. No objection																	

5845	<p>To note the following planning determinations</p> <p>DC/21/0431/HH 3 Denham Barns, Lewkenors Granary Barrow Road Denham IP29 5EF Householder planning application - a. forming of external ancillary area to store oil tank and bins with pergola sitting area b. fencing to western boundary - Approved</p> <p>DC/21/0432/LB 3 Denham Barns, Lewkenors Granary Barrow Road Denham IP29 5EF Application for listed building consent - forming of external ancillary area to store oil tank and bins with pergola sitting area - Approved</p>	
5846	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>TBC at 7:15pm in Barrow Village Hall The meeting was closed at 8:50pm</p>	

Signed: (Chairman) date.....

**BARROW-CUM-DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING OF 7 JUNE 2021
REPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM 20
STATE OF PLAY ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

I should like to report to full Council on my discussion with AECOM, the planning consultants, and to suggest to my colleagues on the Neighbourhood Plan Sub-Group that we hold a meeting in the near future, either in person or via Zoom.

Discussion with AECOM

I had a useful discussion with Shane Scollard and his colleague Ki Yan Tsang.

Contrary to my previous understanding and what was reported to Council at the 17 May meeting:

- The grant package does not include site *selection*, but it covers site *assessment* (see below) and
- AECOM does not require us to have adopted the NP policies *prior* to its carrying out the site-assessment work

The work that AECOM will be doing for us is summed up below (their words):

- Policy overview of the Neighbourhood Plan with regard to housing-land use;
- Methodology of assessment of identified sites;
- Identification of sites through Local Plan promotion (SHELAA) and Call for Sites;
- Review of all information received from the Neighbourhood Plan Group;
- Site Assessment including review of SHELAA conclusions for sites;
- Full site assessment of any new sites identified;
- Site Assessment conclusion showing which sites are 'suitable', 'potentially suitable' and 'not currently suitable'

AECOM stressed that it was up to us as a council to select the sites to be proposed in the NP, but it would be clear from their work which sites were suitable.

They are awaiting submission of a full set of documents from us to begin their work. Not all these documents are easily accessible to The Clerk or to me, but we are in the process of gathering them. Some of the reports mentioned were actually prepared by AECOM itself. I understand that Kat is arranging to pick up all the necessary materials in both electronic form and hard copy tomorrow before the meeting.

Neighbourhood Plan policies

The status of these will be the subject of a separate report.

Cllr Z G Kronbergs

6 June 2021