

# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023. HELD AT BARROW UPON TRENT VILLAGE HALL, TWYFORD ROAD, BARROW UPON TRENT AT 7.00PM.

#### **Present**

Cllr Heathcote Chairman

Cllr Nick Harpur

Cllr Blackmore

Cllr Collett

Cllr Kent Chapman

Cllr Gardiner (Vice Chairman)

Clerk

# **Members of the Public 3**

**Apologies: Cllr Peter Watson** 

**Public Participation** A member of the public spoke about their concerns about a planning application for 7 Holiday Lets on Green Lane. The Parishioner expressed their objections to the application on the following grounds;

- 1. Flooding, the area floods to a height above the hedgerows and would cause significant disruption plus it would pose significant danger to life for any tenants.
- 2. Traffic, Church Lane is just not suitable for any increase in traffic and this development could increase traffic by 5-10 cars
- 3. In times of flood the local pumping station also floods, raw sewage flows into the area.
- 4. The development is in the conservation area and no regard has been given to this.
- 5. There is no Heritage statement with the application.
- 6. There is no environmental report supporting the application, the development would have significant impact on local wildlife.
- 7. There are anomalies in the application form.
- 8. **Cllr Corbin** replied to the member of the public and stated that at present it was in the hands of the planning officer, he read out an email he had sent to the Planning Dept pointing out his objections. Cllr Corbin also commented that the day the officer visited the site they were unable to access due to flood. Something that he is sure will be taken into consideration. He thanked the member of the public for taking the time to raise such valid points.

#### Parish Lengthsman.

The Parish Lengthsman asked if there was an update on the Bins on Church Lane?

**District Cllr Dan Corbin** reported that SDDC Housing Services Committee had recently met and agreed an increase in the cost of renting a council house in the area. There is currently a 6month waiting list for a property.

The S136 outstanding money mentioned at the last PC meeting should be forthcoming - Barrow was owed £200. There is S106 money available in the Aston Ward and Cllr Corbin encouraged the PC to put forward any projects they had in mind.

Cllr Corbin had been contacted by a potential purchaser of a house in the Barrow Parish for advice on future development opportunities of the property.



# 22/2023 Declaration of Members Interests None

# 23/2023 Confirmation of the Non-Exempt Minutes of the last Meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

These were read and approved and signed.

24/2023 Items on Part 1 of the agenda to be taken with the public excluded. None

**25/2023 The Chairman's Report** the Chairman reported that lots of objections had been raised regarding the planning application on Church Lane. Cllr Heathcote had received a call about a new overflow being created between the lakes and the river. The caller was concerned that the badgers were being disturbed. A mole had been making a mess in the cemetery. The water in the pond dipping area had recently gone brown the - Clerk had contacted Tarmac who were looking into this. A letter had been received from the diocese regarding land owned by the church in the parish being entered into an option agreement for the IGV development. Complaints about the parking on Church Lane by builders had been received. Cllr Collett offered to speak to them to ask if they could park further down to avoid congestion.

Cllr Blackmore and the Chairman had done the Clerks Appraisal.

**26/2023 Clerks Report** The Clerk reported that she had processed all paperwork and dealt with all enquiries. Posters had been distributed relating to the upcoming election requirements. The Clerk had attended her Appraisal and carried out the Parish Lengthsman review. Work at the cottages had been overseen and actioned.

## 27/2023 Reports from representatives on Outside bodies

Clir Blackmore had attended the Safer Neighbourhood meeting Melbourne Assembly rooms the only thing to report was the new requirement for ID to vote at the upcoming elections in May.

#### 28/2023 Future Meetings

Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum which is being held from 5.00pm on **Monday 13 March 2023 5.00pm—8.00pm** Location: County Hall, Matlock, DE4 3AG

East Midlands Airport Parish Council Engagement Forum **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 10.00-12.00 Via Teams** 

#### 29/2023 Planning Applications and Decisions

Conversion of the barn into a dwelling, (as per the approval DMPA/2020/0687) but to also include conversion of the existing outbuildings into accommodation. A link between the two (barn and converted outbuilding) joins the two and provides a single family dwelling. Barn adjacent 27 Church lane, Barrow on Trent, DE73 7HB

The above application was discussed, and it was resolved to voice concerns with the application to try to ensure that the mediaeval walls are retained as far as possible. They are a feature of this project.

#### 30/2023 Correspondence

# **Information Only**

| 1 | Cost of living survey |
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| 2 | Overgrown verge response          |
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| 3 | Litter dumped response and report |
| 4 | Pot Hole repair info Cllr Atkin   |
| 5 | Voter Briefing                    |
| 6 | Kevin Stackhouse S136 information |
| 7 | Derbyshire fire and Rescue Survey |

# **Requiring Action**

| Α | Notification from Brian Wood internal Auditor. |  |
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| В | Quote for cottage windows Abbey Glass          |  |
| С | Quote for Cottage windows Clive Toon Joinery   |  |

- A. The clerk had replied to Brian Wood
- B. This had been noted.
- C. This had also been noted

# 31/2023 Finance

#### **Invoices for Payment**

- A) See attached sheet
- \* Where there is more than one entry to a payee, all invoices will be paid on one cheque. It was agreed that all invoices were correct, and it was resolved to pay them.

# **B) Income Received**

# Income received

| a) | Cottage rental | £3125.00 |
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| b) | Interest       | £46.86   |

## 32/2023 Parish News

The Next edition will be in April 2023. The Clerk had contacted all advertisers and offer them space in the next 4 editions for £40 inside and £80 outside. Some had still to reply.

#### 33/2023 Risk Assessment

Done by Cllr Harper & Cllr Kent-Chapman, the report had been submitted. The road surface on Church Lane was deteriorating and there were two fridges on the verge in Arleston. Future risk assessments February- Cllr Collett. March- Cllr Kent-Chapman. April- Cllr Gardiner. May-Cllr Heathcote. June- Cllr Harpur.

#### 34/2023 Greenacres & Green Lane.

Nothing to report

# 35/2023 Susie Dixon Park & Village Hall Carpark.

Some discolouration had been reported in the pond dipping water, the Clerk has asked Tarmac to investigate this.

#### 36/2023 Small Play Park & Allotments

No updates had been received from SDDC regarding the ownership. The work to the Allotment Trees is due to be carried out on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February all allotment holders have been informed.

#### **37/2023 Cemetery**

Moles had once again been causing problems the Clerk has contacted the relevant person.



A complaint had been received regarding the removal of floral tributes and the inconsistency of this. This was discussed and going forward if the Parish Lengthsman is in any doubt he will ask the clerk before removing anything.

# 38/2023 Parish Cottages

Quotes for replacement windows were being sought.

# 39/2023 Infinity Garden Village & Parish Boundary.

No updates. It was resolved to write to Cllr Corbin to ask for a way forward.

## 40/2023 Parish Matters

- a) Arleston & Merrybower nothing to report.
- b) Kings Coronation Celebration.

An event to celebrate the Kings Coronation is being discussed to be held at the Brookfield.

All councillors were asked to inform the Clerk if they have anything they wish to add.

# 41/2023 Date and time of the next meeting

# The next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 which will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish. at 7p.m. to be held at the Village Hall

The Chairman closed the formal part of the meeting and opened the floor for a period of not more than five minutes per person to enable members of the public and Members of the Council to Comment on any matter that has been discussed by the Council in the Non Exempt Section of the meeting today.

It was RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the Non Exempt section of the meeting was closed at 8.45pm

| Signed: |                            |
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| Date:   | 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 |

#### **PART TWO - EXEMPT ITEMS**

#### 21/2023 Cottages

Nothing to report.

#### 22/2023 Staffing

- **a) Clerks Appraisal** this had been held by Cllr Blackmore & the Chairman, everyone was pleased and it was suggested and resolved to increase the Clerks Pay Scale by 1 spinal point.
- b) Parish Lengthsman, an Appraisal had been held before the February PC meeting and the job description and workload discussed. Also the provision of Protective clothing The Parish Lengthsman is going to source a new Jacket and possibly boots and hand the receipt to the clerk for re-imbursement. The Parish Lengthsman was reminded not to litter pick in the Parish if there is no Pavement as its unsafe. It was resolved to award a £1 per hour pay rise.



The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the Exempt section of the meeting was closed at  $9.20 \mathrm{pm}$ 

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Chairman/Vice Chairman Date: 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023

# Invoices paid before or at before 7th February 2023 Meeting

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|   |                                |                                |          |         |
| 1 | SLCC                           | Membership fee 2023            | 134.00   |         |
| 2 | Paul Wilson Plumbing & Heating | Work to repair Bathroom No 18  | 1910.00  |         |
| 3 | Mrs Alison Hicklin             | Parish Clerk salary & expenses | 1113.00  |         |
| 4 | Kevin Stokes                   | Parish Lengthsman              | 200.00   |         |
| 5 | JMC Gas Heating & Plumbing     | Work to Sink in no 8           | 65.00    |         |
|   | Andrew Hydes                   | Winter Maintenance             | 685.20   | 114.20  |
| 6 | John Guilding Wo               | ork to wall No 18              |          | 385.00  |
|   |                                | TOTAL                          | £4492.20 | £114.20 |
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