

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 9th January 2024.
HELD AT BARROW UPON TRENT VILLAGE HALL, TWYFORD ROAD,
BARROW UPON TRENT AT 7.00PM.**

Present

Cllr Kent-Chapman (Chaired the meeting)
Clerk Alison Hicklin (Clerk)
Cllr Vaugh
Cllr D Thomas
Cllr Harpur
Cllr Collett

Members of the Public 7

Public Participation A member of the public commented as to how unsuitable the proposed Battery Storage location was due to the flooding. The Site is and has been totally flooded. A resident of Arleston commented on the increase of fly tipping over Christmas but thanks to everyone's efforts and the new Cameras that have been installed prosecutions had already been made.

A resident asked if anyone had heard about a large leisure facility that might be built in the area? A resident congratulated the Parish Council and SDDC team on the recent handling of the floods in the village.

The question of the school bus was raised and had anything further been done? The Clerk commented that she would chase up DCC.

Results have been forwarded from the EMA noise monitoring station.

The Parish Lengthsman reported the padlock missing off the Pinfold.

There is still a need for a new rubbish bin on the community park.

The Parish Lengthsman also requested the use of a ground sheet if piling the sandbags in front of the cottages again.

Dist. Cllr Peter Watson Commented that Barrow were on the front of the village voice newspaper. He commented that people should know that the car insurance is invalid if they drive through flood water. Cllr Watson congratulated the Parish Council on a great service to the Parish over the last year and wished everyone good luck for 2024.

County Cllr Neil Atkin Not present, apologies sent.

Dist. Cllr Dan Corbin Commented on the proposed budget form SDDC and requested that comments and questions be raised at the Area forum meeting on 20th January. If the budget is approved in its current format the council will be £7million in deficit in 5 years.

01/2024 Declaration of Members Interests

None

Apologies Cllr Blackmore

02/2024 Confirmation of the Non-Exempt Minutes of the last Meeting held on Tuesday 9th January 2023 had been previously circulated. The Minutes were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

03/2024 Items on Part 1 of the agenda to be taken with the public excluded.

None

Safer Neighbourhoods Area 3 (Melbourne) – Melbourne Assembly Rooms – 30th January 2024 6.30pm

04/2024 The Chairman’s Report

Cllr Kent-chapman wished to thank Miles Burton & Harrison Flinn for helping with the Christmas Lights. Thanks was given to No 18 for supplying the power. Cllr Kent-Chapman commented on how well everything had gone during the recent flooding and thank you to everyone who helped with signs, sandbags, flood shields etc. Thanks was also expressed to the team from SDDC headed up by Tim Summers, there is an informal review meeting with him at the Brookfield tomorrow night.

Concern was raised over the pubic moving the barriers to drive through the flood water, driving slowly is fine but some residents had no regard for the actions and the problems they caused.

05/2024 Clerks Report the Clerk reported that she had processed all paperwork and dealt with all enquiries. Various issues had been reported to the relevant authorities. The Clerk had liaised with SDDC re the flood help and Severn Trent to try and get non return valves fitted on the Cottage drains. Thanks was expressed to everyone who had helped recently.

06/2024 Reports from representatives on Outside bodies

None

07/2024 Future Meetings

Safer Neighbourhoods Area 3 (Melbourne) – Melbourne Assembly Rooms – 30th January 2024 6.30pm Cllr Blackmore and Cllr Collett will attend.

08/2024 Planning Applications and Decision

None

09/2024 Correspondence

Information Only

1	SLCC & NL information
2	Community News Letter from DCC
3	EMA future of the Airspace
4	Derby City Council Local Plan
5	EMA Noise Monitoring station report
6	Flooding Thanks from Resident

Requiring Action

A	Request regarding Burial /Ashes plot in Cemetery
B	Budget Consultation from SDDC
C	Fallen Tree Branches from Community Park
D	Taylor Day delay of tree scheduled works
E	2 Commune re withdrawal of Web provider
F	Cuttlefish Media re website
G	Numerous emails regarding Insurance

- A. The Clerk was dealing with this.**
- B. This had been discussed.**
- C. The clerk had instructed A Hydes to remove this.**
- D. Noted**

- E. Noted
- F. Noted
- G. The work to NO 2 will be managed as required.

10/2024 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) January Rent	£3500.00
b) Interest	£95.18
TOTAL	£3595.18

C. Budget 2024/2025

The Clerk went through the proposed budget line by line explain all the proposed changes. The current precept was £12,853 and it was proposed to raise it to £13, 310 which is a 3% increase £1.67 per household.

All were in favour, the Chairman & the Clerk signed Form A to return to SDDC.

D. Clerks Appraisal

This is now due a suitable time will be arranged with the Chairman and a Councillor to suit.

11/2024 Parish News

The December edition had gone out on time and been done by Melbourne Print. It was proposed to put together a small edition featuring on the flooding and get it out soon. The next edition will be April.

12/2024 Risk Assessment & Recent Flooding Report

This had been done by Cllr Collett

Who reported dirty signs around the village, the Lengthsman offered to clean these.

The Kerb opposite the war memorial is also quite bad now. The Clerk will report this.

The following will do the inspections in the respective months.

January Cllr Kent-Chapman

February Cllr Thomas

March Cllr Vaughn

April Cllr Harpur

May Cllr Collette

13/2024 Greenacres & Green Lane.

Nothing to report.

14/2024 Susie Dixon Park & Village Hall Carpark.

The Potholes in the entrance required tarmacking once the weather conditions improve. The Sandbags have been put at the container ready for future use.

15/2024 Allotments

The Fence has now been repaired, it was proposed to write to all tenants and ask them not to put anything against the fence to prevent it from rotting. It was proposed to increase the rent to £15 from £10 per year.

16/2024 Cemetery

Apart from the Mole everything is OK The Clerk will get the pest control people to pay a visit.

17/2024 Parish Cottages

The Clerk has been speaking to Severn Trent regarding installing a non-return valve on the drain. An engineer should be in touch soon this was ongoing. Due to the recent flooding in the village, it was proposed to re stock the shed with some plastic sheets to go over the doors, gloves for handling everything some narrow shovels for filling the sandbags, and some expanding flood sacks. The Clerk is looking into replacing the floor in No 2. As this has been damaged by water from the outside wall.

18/2024 Infinity Garden Village & Parish Boundary.

The Clerk wrote to the head of planning at SDDC to request an update on IGV and clarity on the proposed Greenways. They will hopefully attend the February meeting.

19/2024 Parish Matters

- a) Arleston & Merrybower** Funding for the CCTV camera to go on Arleston Lane has been received and sent straight to SDDC. The Cameras have now been installed with great results already.
- b) Recent Flooding.**
It was proposed to purchase some black plastic to go across the cottage doors next to the sandbags, some small shovels, gloves, gel sandbags and another sack trolley with a wider bed. These items will all help protect properties in the future. If possible, some more road closed signs are needed.
- c) Proposed Battery Storage at Stenson.**
A letter will be composed by the Councillors and forwarded to Innova pointing out everyone's comments.

All councillors were asked to inform the Clerk if they have anything they wish to add to the next month's Agenda.

20/2024 Date and time of the next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 5th February 2024 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:
Chairman/Vice Chairman
Date: 5th February 2024

PART TWO - EXEMPT ITEMS

21/2024 Cottages

An application had been received to go on the waiting list, this was approved and the applicant will be added to the list.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the Exempt section of the meeting was closed at 8.50pm

Signed:
Chairman/Vice Chairman

Invoices paid before or at before 9th January 2024 Meeting

	Name	Description	Total	Vat
1	NI & PAYE	Clerk & Lengthsman	821.81	
2	Kevin Stokes	Parish Lengthsman	193.60	
3	Alison Hicklin	Parish Clerk	1177.36	
		Total	£2192.77	