

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 24th April 2017 commencing at 7.45pm and held at Barton St David Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Mr D Pye (Chairman), Mrs H Cankett (Vice Chairman), Mr. P Robinson.

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: Fourteen members of the public

Public Question Time:

There were no matters reported.

District Councillor Report

Cllr Norris said that there was nothing to report except that he had some concerns regarding the ongoing transformation within the council

County Councillor Report.

Cllr Ruddle had nothing to report. The County Council is currently in the run-up to the elections.

Police Report - None

Footpath Officer: - None

156.16 Apologies for Absence and to consider the reasons given.

Council to receive apologies for absence and, if appropriate, to resolve to approve the reasons given. [LGA 1972 s85\(1\)](#)

Apologies were received from Cllr Goodman, Cllr Cabble and Cllr Britton – accepted.

157.16 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reminded everyone that the Council elections are due to take place on 4th May 2017.

The Chairman reported that Cllr Cankett has informed him that she wishes to resign at the next meeting in May. Cllr Pye thanked her for her help and support in the past, and said that she would be greatly missed.

158.16 Declarations of Interest.

Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the [Local Authorities \(Model Code of Conduct\) Order 2007 SI No.1159](#). *(NB this does not preclude any later declarations).*

None.

159.16 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To agree any items to be dealt with after the Public (including the Press) has been excluded from the meeting

None

160.16 Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 27th March 2017

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 27th March 2017.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 27th March be signed as a true record.

161.16 Finance

Accounts for payment

To review and approve a schedule of items of expenditure – [LGA 1972 s150 \(5\)](#)

Lucy Lapwood March wages £288.40 Office allowance £10.00 Gas £1.00 March meeting, Total £299.40. D. Goodman re-imburement for paint purchased for the fingerpost refurbishment £33.41

RESOLVED: To agree the accounts for payment.

162.16 Bank Reconciliation

To agree the bank reconciliation figures against the bank statements as at 31st March 2017.

RESOLVED: The figures were agreed and both the bank statements and bank reconciliation sheet were signed as correct.

163.16 Final Accounts for financial year ending 31st March 2017

To review and approve final Annual Accounts for financial year ending 31st March 2017.

RESOLVED: The accounts were reviewed, approved and duly signed for the year ending 31st March 2017.

164.16 Internal Control for Year Ending 31st March 2017

To consider whether the Internal Controls for the year 2016/17 are adequate and to update if required for the following year.

RESOLVED: The Internal Control document was reviewed and Councillors considered that currently no update was necessary for the coming year.

165.16 Financial Risk Assessment for Year Ending 31st March 2017

To consider whether the Financial Risk Assessment for the year 2016/17 is adequate and to update if required for the following year.

RESOLVED: The Financial Risk Assessment document was considered to be adequate, but may need updating after we re-new the insurance.

166.16 Annual Return for year Ended 31st March 2017.

Clerk to update Councillors on the Annual Return requirements.

RESOLVED: The Clerk updated the Councillors with the additional requirements of this year's annual return due to the Council being selected at random for an 'intermediate review'.

167.16 Highway Matters

To report any highway defects

Residents from Jarmany Hill enquired about the progress of the speed limit restrictions.

RESOLVED: Cllr Dean Ruddle to make enquiries.

The issue of reporting pot-holes was raised.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pye to request that the process for reporting pot-holes is included in the next village newsletter.

168.16 Update on flooding at Tootle Bridge

Update from Councillors on the outcome from the meeting at Tootle Bridge with respect to the flooding issues.

Cllr Robinson gave a brief report on the meeting held between Mr Anthony Dowden from Somerset Drainage Boards Consortium, Parish Councillors, and residents at Tootle Bridge.

RESOLVED: Mr Dowden walked through the pinch points of the waterflow and a four-point plan has subsequently been drawn up in line with Mr Dowden's recommendations, which various parties have agreed to. A more detailed written report will be submitted to the Clerk for filing with parish paperwork.

169.16 Parish Issues

(Note to Councillors. Parish Issues is for items of information only, items you wish to be placed on the next Full Council agenda or items that can be delegated to the Clerk to deal with. No decisions can be made under Parish Problems; decisions can only be made on items on the agenda under a clear heading with the business to be transacted)

It was noted, for information only, that notification for prior approval for the change of use of existing agricultural building to a dwelling. Application No. 17/01392/PAMB, Land and Buildings East of Withy Farmhouse, Silver Street, Barton St David, is in progress. This can be viewed on the South Somerset District Council's website.

Cllr Robinson announced the publication of 200 Barton St David Parish books, which are for sale at £5.00 each.

Barton St David Village Hall and Playing field committee hold their Annual General Meeting on 12th June, all are welcome.

170.16 **Items for the next Agenda**

Speed limit at Tootle Bridge

Outcome of appeal for Certificate of Lawfulness at Jarmany Hill

War Memorial

Finger Posts

Meeting ended at 8.45pm.

Next meeting – Monday 15th May 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.