

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 25th February 2019 commencing at 7.45pm and held at Barton St David Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Mr D Pye (Chair), Mr J Lapwood (Vice Chair), Ms C Heron, Mr P Robinson, Mr S. Cable, Mr D Britton Mrs D Goodman

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: 12 members of the public.

Public Question Time:

The issue of speeding traffic through the village was once again raised, and with the increase in housing in Keinton Mandeville it was felt that this would further exacerbate the problem. Clerk to request a mobile speed camera. Cllr Norris said that the Charlton's Parish Council have a speed watch team and it might be worth while contacting them for more information.

A member of the public requested that the Parish Council set aside an amount on an annual basis for the maintenance of the War Memorial.

An issue with dogs chasing sheep was raised, the Clerk to add this to the newsletter.

District Councillor Report.

Cllr Norris reported that the Council Tax has been capped at 3%, and that locally it is going to increase by a maximum of 2.85%.

After the May elections we would be represented by three Councillors. A new three-member ward will be created comprising Northstone, Ivelchester and St Michaels (NIST).

Cllr Norris said that he will not be standing at the May elections, and the Chairman thanked him for his help and wished him well, it was noted that his wealth of experience would be sadly missed.

County Councillor Report.

Councillor Dean Ruddle sent his apologies.

Police Report

The Clerk reported one miscellaneous crime against society.

Footpath Officer.

The Footpath Officer sent his apologies and stated that there is nothing to report.

122.18 **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\(1\)](#)

RESOLVED: None

123.18 **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).*

RESOLVED: Cllrs D. Britton, C. Heron and D Pye declared prejudicial and pecuniary interests in agenda item 109.18 planning application number 19/00092/FUL.

Cllr Lapwood declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 129.18

124.18 **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

RESOLVED: None

125.18 **Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 17th December 2018 and Monday 28th January 2019**

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 17th December 2018 and Monday 28th January 2019.

RESOLVED: Both sets of minutes were signed as a true record.

126.18 **Planning**

To consider the following applications.

Cllrs D. Britton, C. Heron and D Pye left the room.

19/00092/FUL Erection of a fifth polytunnel, adjacent to the existing 4 tunnels for the purpose of growing year-round vegetables to supply an increasing number of veg box customers.

Land north of OS 6453, Mill Road, Barton St David.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council recommend approval.

Cllrs D. Britton, C. Heron and D Pye returned to the room.

19/00277/HOU Conversion of garage into home office and new fence and raised wall at perimeter.

The Barn, Main Street, Barton St David.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council recommend approval, with the condition the height of the fence is reduced to 0.9 metres to allow a visibility splay for the two cottages next door when exiting their shared driveway onto what is a dangerous location for vehicular access considering the bend in the road. There is currently a dwarf stone wall which allows visibility, which is not shown on the plans.

127.18 Notice Board

Update on delivery and erection of the notice board.

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported that she had been unable to establish a delivery date.

128.18 Highway Matters

To report any highway defects.

Parking Mill Road

RESOLVED: The issue of parking on Mill Road was raised and it was noted that this has now caused a large pothole in the road caused by vehicles having to go around the parked vehicles. The Clerk said that she had reported the parking situation to the P.C.S.O. but had not had any report back as yet and would request an update. It was noted that the legal distance for parking near a junction is 10 metres.

129.18 Grant Requests.

To consider a grant request received from Barton St David Village Hall and Playing Field Charity towards the refurbishment of the railings.

Cllr J Lapwood left the room.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council were in favour of the grant, the Clerk to check if payment could be made before the expenditure is occurred, to be confirmed at the March meeting.

130.18 Internal Auditor.

To confirm the internal auditor for the 2018/19 accounts.

RESOLVED: To appoint Sara Saunders to do the internal audit for the 2018/19 accounts.

131.18 Accounts for payment

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

Lucy Lapwood February wages £189.82 Office allowance £10.00 Travel £9.00 Total £208.82. BSDVH Hall Hire £100.00, 2/5th cost of newsletter £149.76 Total £249.76. Somerton Library Trust - Grant £200.00.

RESOLVED: The accounts were agreed for payment

132.18 Income Received

To report on income received.

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported interest of £8.10 and £300.00 donation towards the War Memorial.

133.18 Bank Reconciliation

To agree the bank reconciliation figures against the bank statements as at 31st January 2019.

RESOLVED: The figures agree.

134.18 Budget

To sign off the revised budget figures agreed at the January meeting.

RESOLVED: The revised budget figures agreed at the January meeting were signed as correct by the Chair.

135.18 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).

The problem of dog mess was raised which is particularly bad on the footpaths between Plot Gate and Manor Farm, and Grassy Lane and Hurtle Pool.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.

Next meeting – Monday 25th March 2019 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.