

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 25th June 2018 commencing at 7.45pm and held at Barton St David Village Hall.

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

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: 6 members of the public.

Public Question Time:

None

District Councillor Report.

Cllr Norris reported that following the re-organisation of the District Council a number of officers have lost their jobs which has put both the planning and housing departments under some strain.

County Councillor Report.

Cllr Ruddle reported that an audit is due for the County Council and there is a possibility that they may not have achieved all of the promised savings in their medium term financial plan.

Following a complaint from a resident of Barton St David regarding H.G.V's using Tootle Bridge Cllr Ruddle is hopeful of a weight limit of 7.5 tonne being imposed however a traffic regulation order is needed and this may not be completed until the autumn.

Police Report

None present – Apologies received after the meeting

Footpath Officer.

Not present

21.18 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: Apologies received from Cllr Heron – accepted

22.18 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).*

None

23.18 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.

None

24.18 Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 21st May 2018

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Annual General Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 21st May 2018.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting on 21st May 2018 be signed as a true record.

25.18 To Elect Councillors to outside bodies.

Village Hall and Playing Field Committee.

RESOLVED: Cllr Robinson proposed and seconded.

26.18 Notice Board

To discuss the possibility and possible location of an additional notice board for the village.

The Clerk explained that she receives various requests from the District Council and Voluntary Services for posters to be put on the public notice board, however there is never any room on the notice board on the wall of the Village Hall.

RESOLVED: Cllr Robinson will take the matter to the Village Hall and Playing Field Committee to see if they would agree to a larger notice board being fitted and to discuss funding arrangements.

27.18 Highway Matters

To report any highway defects.

Fly Tipping of garden rubbish in Copis Lane

RESOLVED: Cllr David Norris said that Fly Tipping should to reported to the District Council, the Clerk to report.

Parking in Mill Road.

RESOLVED: It was generally agreed that the parking in Mill Road is legal and therefore there is no action that the Parish Council can take.

H.G.V's on Tootle Bridge

RESOLVED: Already discussed under report from County Councillor.

Water Leak in Mill Road.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pye reported that he had already reported this to the Highways Department, he agreed to follow up.

28.18 **Remembrance Service and Re-dedication of War Memorial**

To consider the possibility of commemorative silhouettes for the remembrance service on 11th November 2018.

A discussion took place as to the possible availability and cost of a silhouette. Cllr Robinson pointed out that every year for the Carnival there are a number of cut outs scattered around the village with a different theme each year. He suggested that we ask for one or two to be made of WW1 soldiers which could be painted solid black, this would probably be a cheaper option.

RESOLVED: Cllr Robinson to ask Mr Clive Cabble if he could cut these for us.

29.18 **Risk Assessments**

To discuss risk assessments on the Bus Shelter and Stocks Green.

Cllr Lapwood reported that he had looked at both the bus shelter and stocks green.

The bus shelter is in a bad state of repair there is woodworm in the roof timbers and fascia boards, there is ivy growing on the outside of the building and the gutters and down pipes are missing.

RESOLVED: It was agreed that the Clerk would make another request for volunteers in the Village Newsletter, and if there were none forthcoming that she would look for contractors to quote for the work.

The well head at Stocks Green has had frost in the mortar joints, the wall at Stock Green is crumbling, and the hedge is overgrown.

It was agreed that Stocks Green is not well used.

RESOLVED: Cllr Robinson to ask the Village Hall and Playing Field Committee if they had any suggestions or ideas to increase the use of this area. Repair options to be added to the next agenda.

30.18 **Work Plan**

Quarterly review and update of work plan to include: -

War memorial

Cllr Pye reported that the W.M.T. had agreed that we could go ahead with the works and as they were less than £10,000, it is not necessary for a Conservation Officer to oversee the works. Also, that he had applied to SSDC for listed building consent to change the paving to gravel this could take up to 8 weeks however, we can go ahead providing that the paving is lifted and stored until consent is granted.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to ring Mr Les Hawes to enquire about a start date.

Hurtle Pool flooding.

It was reported that the ditch had been cleared and most of the culvert removed, the pipes had been cleared and a pit dug around them making the ditch deeper.

RESOLVED: To await the next heavy rain.

Phone box

RESOLVED: Nothing to report.

Finger post at Coombe Hill

RESOLVED: Cllr Goodman reported that work was now complete and that the Finger Post is at the Glastonbury Depot awaiting re-instatement.

Bus shelter

RESOLVED: Already discussed.

Road safety

The SID's programme was discussed.

RESOLVED: Agreed to go ahead and join the County Council SID's programme and to request 4 SID's per year 2 at each location. It was noted that there is no budget allocation for this cost due to the budget being prepared before we were informed about the requirement to fund the SID's ourselves.

31.18 **Fairview S106 agreement.**

To report on the outcome of a meeting between Fairview Housing Association and Parish Council members Cllr Pye, Cllr Lapwood and Cllr Cabble.

The Clerk read a report of the outcome of the meeting, see appendix 1 below.

RESOLVED: The clerk to request the bullets points listing the eligibility criteria.

32.18 **Manor Farm Development**

To report on recent developments at Manor Farm.

Concerns were raised by residents as to whether planning permission had been obtained for a barn at Manor Farm.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pye has made enquiries of the Planning Department, await the outcome.

33.18 **Period of Notice of Public Rights & Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance & Accountability Return.**

Clerk to report on the above period.

RESOLVED: The clerk reported that the period for public inspection will run from Monday 4th June to Friday 13th July inclusive.

34.18 **Grant Request**

To consider a grant request received from Citizens Advice

RESOLVED: Agreed a grant of £50.00

35.18 **Accounts for payment**

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

Lucy Lapwood June wages £189.82 Back Pay £7.34 Overtime £109.53 Office allowance £10.00 Travel £18.00 Stationery £19.85 Electric May Meeting £1.00 Total £355.54. Threeclubs Ltd website hosting £62.63, SALC Training£50.00

RESOLVED: To agree the accounts for payment.

36.18 **Receipts**

Receipts received in April and May.

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported that due to problems at T.S.B. she had not received a bank statement for April, and having gone into branch to request one for May she can now confirm receipts for War Memorial Donation in April £60.00 and May £170.00, interest £0.81.

37.18 Bank Reconciliation

To agree the bank reconciliation figures against the bank statements as at 31st May 2018.

RESOLVED: Reconciliation figures agree.

38.17 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)

Cllr Robinson requested that the following be minuted:

In the past month, two very well-known residents have passed away. Dr May Payne who amongst other things was involved with the kneeler project for the Church, and Mr Adrian Slack who was a world authority on carnivorous plants.

The meeting ended at 9.00pm.

Next meeting – Monday 23rd July 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.

Appendix 1.

NOTES FROM MEETING BETWEEN BARTON ST DAVID PARISH COUNCIL AND STONEWATER HOUSING ASSOCIATION HELD ON 6TH JUNE 2018.

Present: -

Karen Ayling	Stonewater Housing Association Director of Housing Performance & Improvement
Phillipa Yeates	Stonewater Housing Association Regional Development Manager
David Pye	Barton St David Parish Council - Chairman
John Lapwood	Barton St David Parish Council - Vice Chairman
Steve Cabble	Barton St David Parish Council - Councillor

In Attendance: -

Lucy Lapwood	Barton St David Parish Council – Clerk.
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The meeting commenced with Cllr Cabble expressing residents' concerns regarding the re - allocation of properties at Fairview Close in Barton St David, which do not appear to adhere to the Section 106 agreement.

Karen Ayling explained that when the required 4-week notice is given of termination of tenancy, Stonewater Housing Association (SHA) contacts South Somerset District Council (SSDC) and requests that they look at the list of applicants who have registered as needing housing. SSDC are responsible for checking the list for the number of applicants needing a property of the size available, and whether there is a local connection, these being given priority over others. It is the responsibility of the

individuals to put themselves on the Housing List and tick the box for local connection. However, it was agreed that individuals may not be aware of the criteria required to obtain a position on the local eligibility list or what might give them a priority.

It was pointed out by Parish Councillors that 50% of the cluster villages as listed in the S106 agreement are in the Mendip District Council (MDC) area, these being Lydford-On-Fosse, Butleigh and Baltonsborough, currently MDC are not consulted by SHA.

Barton Parish Councillors requested that SHA contact the Parish Clerk to inform her of any vacancies, as soon as the termination of tenancy is given, this would enable Councillors to make locals aware, and in addition, that it would be useful if a piece was published in the village newsletter and the four parishes newsletter, from time to time reminding those requiring housing to ensure that they remained on the housing list.

AGREED.

That Karen Ayling would flag up at a meeting already scheduled for late June the need to expand the registration and search to include the Mendip area, she would inform the Parish Clerk of the outcome.

That SHA would inform the Parish Clerk as soon as a tenancy is terminated.

That Phillipa Yeates would send to the parish Clerk some bullet points listing the eligibility criteria.