

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 25th March 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. Cabble, Mr D Britton Mrs D Goodman

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: 17 members of the public.

Public Question Time:

Concerns were raised about the frequency of people staying overnight in Double Gates Drove. The complainant understands that agricultural workers are allowed to stay overnight for 28 days per annum, however long-term residence requires planning permission. It was agreed that this is a difficult situation to measure, the Parish Council can only monitor the situation with help from residents in this area.

An issue was raised regarding the ageing copper and aluminium telephone lines still in use in the village, in particular, the safety of elderly resident's dependent upon the 'red button' alarm service which uses fixed telephony to call for assistance. To be added to the agenda for the April meeting.

The parking in Mill Road was once again raised, Cllr Robinson reported that he had had a meeting with the P.C.S.O. and the resident concerned. Each house in Fairview Close is allocated two spaces, which is insufficient in this case. Some time ago Stonewater Housing Association painted double yellow lines around the close, which now has exacerbated the parking situation, causing the need to park in Mill Road. The P.C.S.O. was of the opinion that if some of the double yellow lines were erased that this could help the situation, and she agreed to approach the Housing Association.

District Councillor Report.

Cllr David Norris said that he had nothing to report.

County Councillor Report.

Councillor Dean Ruddle sent his apologies.

Police Report.

No Police present

Footpath Officer.

Not present.

136.18 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.

137.18 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: - None.

138.18 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.

139.18 Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 25th February 2019

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 25th February 2019.

RESOLVED: The minutes were agreed as a true record by all Councillors and duly signed by the Chairman.

140.18 Notice Board

Update on delivery and discuss the erection of the notice board.

RESOLVED: - Cllrs David Pye and John Lapwood volunteered to assemble the noticeboard. Keyholders to be the Clerk and Cllr Robinson.

141.18 Highway Matters

To report any highway defects.

Possibility of painted lines on road to reduce speeding.

Issues with traffic using Blind Lane as directed by Sat Nav.

Update on Speed Watch.

Painted Lines

In an effort to reduce speeding in the village Cllr Goodman asked about the possibility of horizontal white lines with 30 between them being painted on the road in a number of places.

RESOLVED: - For the Clerk to make enquires.

Sat Nav

There have been some occasions when vehicles using Sat Nav have continued along Blind Lane after the tarmac comes to an end.

RESOLVED: - Local residents to monitor and report back to the Parish Council.

Speed Watch.

Cllr Lapwood reported that he had been in contact with the Speed Watch Team at the Charlton's Parish Council who had been very helpful and informative. This is a free service; the equipment is on loan and the only expense is for speed watch signs which are £50 each. A minimum of eight volunteers is required.

RESOLVED: - Eight Volunteers came forward at the meeting, next step to approach the Charlton's on more information on how to proceed. The Clerk reported that she had been in touch with the P.C.S.O. about the police speed bike and is still awaiting the outcome.

142.18 Ownership of the Playing Fields.

To discuss options for establishing ownership of the Playing Fields.

The Chairman of the Village Hall and Playing Field Committee who was present at the meeting confirmed that the Parish Council are the Custodian Trustees of the Playing Field. (For the record the original deeds are kept with Porter Dodson Solicitors in Yeovil).

RESOLVED: - For a copy of the deeds to be sent to the Clerk for further consideration

143.18 Local Elections

Local Elections 2 May 2019 Information on procedures and dates for upcoming Parish and District Council Elections.

RESOLVED: - The Clerk read a summary of the election process and the requirements of Councillors wishing to be re-elected, or local residents wishing to stand for election.

FINANCE

144.18 Income & Expenditure for War Memorial

Final account for the War Memorial.

RESOLVED: - The Clerk distributed the final Income & Expenditure account for the War Memorial.

145.18 Refurbishment of the railings.

To consider payment options for the refurbishment of the Village Hall railings

RESOLVED: - To establish ownership of the railings.

146.18 Accounts for payment

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

Lucy Lapwood March wages £189.82 O/Time £98.58 Office allowance £10.00 Travel £18.00 Printer Cartridges £25.00 Total £341.40. Noticeboards Online Ltd £1009.26.

RESOLVED: - The accounts were agreed for payment.

147.18 Income Received

To report on income received.

RESOLVED: - The Clerk reported that we have received £8.74 interest and £2580.00 from the War Memorial Trust.

148.18 Bank Reconciliation

To agree the bank reconciliation figures against the bank statements as at 28th February 2019.

RESOLVED: - Figures agree, paperwork signed.

149.18 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 Clerk suggested that the Annual Parishes meeting should be held in April this year, due to the elections.

Next meeting – Monday 29th April 2019 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.