

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 28th November 2016 commencing at 7.45pm and held at Barton St David Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Mr D Pye (Chairman), Mrs D Goodman, Mr. P Robinson, Mr D Britton, Mr S Cabble.

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: Eleven members of the public

Public Question Time:

Concerns were raised regarding the speed of vehicles at Jarmany Hill and Tootle Bridge (where the road narrows and there is no footpath). The concerned resident at Jarmany Hill offered to contact residents with a view to compiling a petition endorsing the request to extend the 30mph speed limit to cover these areas. A request was also made for the Parish Council to ask if the 30mph speed limit could be extended to include these areas.

District Councillor Report: Cllr Mr. D Norris reported that Somerset Waste Partnership were proposing going to consultation over the re-cycling of plastic bottles and packaging which could result in general waste collections taking place every three weeks.

County Councillor Report: Cllr Mr. D Ruddle had nothing to report.

Police Report: P.C. Tim Russell sent his apologies, he stated that two offences were reported for Barton St David this month, one traffic offence and one for criminal damage.

Footpath Officer: Not Present

77.16 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\(1\)](#)

RESOLVED: Apologies were received from Mrs H. Cankett (accepted)

78.16 Chairman's Announcement

None.

79.16 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.

80.16 Exclusion of the Press and Public

None.

81.16 **Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 24th October 2016**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 24th October 2016

RESOLVED: - That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th October 2016 be signed as a true record.

82.16 **Planning**

The following application was noted: -

Application Approved

16/04325/FUL

Erection of a single storey wooden garage and improve vehicle access.
Withy Lane Farmhouse, Silver Street, Barton St David

Appeal in respect of application decision reference 16/01818/OUT
Outline application for the erection of 2no semi-detached dwellings
Land at Hollyhock Cottage, Peacocks Hill, Barton St David.
Appeal end date 21/11/2016.

83.16 **Finance**

Donation to Royal British Legion.

To agree a sum to be donated to the Royal British Legion for a wreath for Remembrance Day.

RESOLVED: A donation of £25.00 to be made to the Royal British Legion

Accounts for payment

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

Lucy Lapwood November wages £179.59, Overtime £31.09, Office allowance £10.00 Mileage £18.45 Total £239.13. B. King Hedge Cutting £50.00, P Farrant Grass Cutting £109.56 Donation to Royal British Legion £25.00.

RESOLVED: To agree the accounts for payment.

Village Christmas Tree

To discuss purchase of a Christmas Tree for the village.

RESOLVED: Agreed to spend up to £70.00 on a Christmas tree

Draft Budget

To discuss the draft budget figures.

RESOLVED: To be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Grant Request

To discuss grant request from the Citizens Advice.

RESOLVED: Agreed to donate £50.00 to the Citizens Advice.

84.16 **Highway Matters**

To report any Highway matters

Over grown hedge around the land adjoining Fairview Close.

The Clerk reported that she had emailed some pictures of the over grown hedge to Stonewater Housing and had received a reply that they are now in discussion as to whether they will amend the contract with the landscapers to include the hedges.

RESOLVED: - Ongoing, to be updated at the next meeting

Update on Finger Posts.

It was reported that the concrete blocks at the bottom of the finger posts are being displaced by HGV's, which leaves a potentially dangerous drop into the culvert.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pye to monitor the situation with Mr John Nicholson Assistant Highway Service Manager.

It was also reported that the pole of the finger post is still in its original place and this needs to be removed.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pye to contact Mr Colin Fletcher regarding the removal of the post.

Discussion took place regarding re-positioning the entire finger post in the corner of the field at Copis Lane/Mill Road Junction, which the owner of the field has agreed to.

85.16 **Village Phone Box**

To decide on action to be taken regarding the notification of the potential removal of the village phone box.

Discussion took place regarding the options available.

RESOLVED: - To put in a request to B.T. for the village to purchase the phone box which will result in the phone inside the box being removed.

86.16 **War Memorial**

To discuss the situation regarding the proposed works to be carried out on the War Memorial and possible funding.

Cllr Goodman reported that following the survey of the War Memorial earlier in the year, there is now a revised scope of works. Two new quotations will be required by the end of February to enable us to submit an application for funding to the War Memorial Trust by the end of March.

RESOLVED: To establish what the new scope of works entails to enable requests for quotations.

87.16 **Village Hall Wi-Fi**

To discuss Wi-Fi options and finance.

Cllr Robinson reported that there is no further progress.

RESOLVED: - To add to the next agenda.

88.16 **Aluminium Wire Replacement**

Update on correspondence regarding wire replacement.

Cllr Pye updated the Council regarding correspondence he had received from M.P. David Warburton which stated that the situation was dependent on 'Connecting Devon & Somerset'. It was generally agreed that the responsibility for Aluminium wire replacement was with B.T. Outreach.

RESOLVED: - Cllr Pye to contact David Warburton again.

89.16 **Flooding at Mill Pond Cottage & Japanese Knotweed at Mill House**

To report on these concerns which were raised at a previous meeting.

RESOLVED: - Nothing further to report.

90.16 **Parish Issues**

None.

Meeting closed 9.15 pm

Next meeting – 19th December 2016 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.