

Parish Council Barton St David

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Minutes of the meeting of Barton St David Parish Council meeting on Monday 24th October 2016 commencing at 7.45pm and held at Barton St David Village Hall.

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

In Attendance: Mrs. Lucy Lapwood (Clerk)

Also Present: Seven Members of the public

Public Question Time:

None

District Councillor Report: Cllr Mr. D Norris reported that a new Chief Executive has been appointed to the South Somerset District Council and is now in place. There will be a further five senior executives which will offer some savings. South Somerset District Council has begun to merge some of its services with Sedgemoor District Council.

County Councillor Report: Cllr Mr. D Ruddle reported that the Highways Services have been contracted out, which is expected to give some savings. The current budget is £750m, but this has been cut by £100m over the last three years.

Police Report: None

Footpath Officer: Phil Bradshaw the Footpath Officer sent his apologies.

64.16 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\(1\)](#)

None.

65.16 Chairman's Announcement

None.

66.16 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.

67.16 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

None.

68.16 **Minutes of Barton St David Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 26th September 2016**

To confirm and sign as correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 26th September 2016

RESOLVED: - That the Minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2016 be signed as a true record.

69.16 **Planning**

To consider the following application.

16/04325/FUL

Erection of a single storey wooden garage and improve vehicle access.

Withy Lane Farmhouse, Silver Street, Barton St David

RESOLVED: - Approved

The following applications were noted: -

Applications Approved

16/03565/FUL

Change of use of part land from agricultural to residential curtilage and erection of garage/store.

The Barn, Silver Street, Barton St David.

16/02646/FUL

Erection of new fodder store

Land at Jarmany Hill, Barton St David

Update on Notification

Update on Town and Country planning act 1990 – section 78

Appeal in respect of application decision reference 15/04697/COL Land at Jarmany Hill.

RESOLVED: - The Clerk reported that she had received some correspondence which suggested that an incorrect email address had been published. Clerk to check with Planning Department.

70.16 **Finance**

Accounts for payment

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

Lucy Lapwood October wages £179.59, Office allowance £10.00 Total £189.59, SALC Training £30.00

RESOLVED: To agree the accounts for payment.

71.16 **Highway Matters**

To report any Highway matters

Over grown hedge around the land adjoining Fairview Close.

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Stonewater Housing which stated that they had no proof that the hedge in question belongs to them, and they would like clarification before they can remedy the situation.

RESOLVED: - The Clerk and Cllr Pye to check with Land Registry.

Parking outside Beech Tree House Retirement Home.

Cllr Pye reported that he had written to the manager of Beech Trees, expressing safety concerns over cars parking close to the junction. He had received a reply stating that the 'staff had been instructed to avoid parking on the roadway at all times'.

RESOLVED: - Clerk to make P.C. Russell aware of the situation.

72.16 **Parish Logo Design Initiative**

To discuss the Parish Letterhead design.

Four designs have been received to date.

RESOLVED: - To let the competition run until the January meeting.

73.16 **Village Hall Wi-Fi**

To discuss Wi-Fi options and finance.

A general discussion took place as to who would benefit from installing Wi-Fi in the Village Hall, and who should be responsible for the cost.

RESOLVED: - Cllr Robinson to ask the Village Hall Committee to present a cost effective case for consideration by the Parish Council.

74.16 **Aluminium Wire Replacement**

Update on correspondence regarding wire replacement.

RESOLVED: - Cllr Pye reported that he had written to M.P. David Warburton regarding this issue but had not as yet received a reply. To be included on the next agenda.

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

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

RESOLVED: - Cllr Cabble reported that a root ball had been removed from the ditch, now awaiting the outcome from the Environment Agency.

76.16 **Parish Issues**

Cllr Robinson said that the Highways Department had repaired the road in Blind Lane, and Peacocks Hill, and he thought that acknowledgement of a job well done could be made.

Cllr Robinson gave a rundown of how the new central heating system in the Village Hall will work and the current cost, which will be reviewed.

St Johns Ambulance will be running a 1st Aid Course on 26th November 2016 from 9.30 – 1.00 and 1.30 – 5.00 at a cost of £30.00 per person.

Meeting closed 8.50 pm

Next meeting – 28th November 2016 7.45pm at Barton St David Village Hall.