

BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Barrow Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 8th April 2024 at Barrow Village Hall

2023

Meeting started 7.35pm

Present	Cllr Paul Rossington (Chair) Cllr Andy Porter (Vice Chair)(AP) Cllr David Cunningham (DC) Cllr Julia Tillotson (JT) Cllr John Okell (JO) Clerk – Tracey Whitlow (TW) 2 members of the public (MOP)	
23/157	Apologies for Absence were received from: Ward Councillor Margaret Parker	
23/158	Declarations of Members' Interests: None	
23/159	Resolved to alter the order of business for agenda items Bowling Club Lights to precede Public Participation.	
23/160	Approval of Minutes: The circulated minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 11 th March 2024 were approved & signed by the Chair.	
23/161	Bowling club application for lights on BPPFF land: Background- The bowling club have a licence from the BPPFF for the bowling club, the BPPFF have a lease from the Parish Council. The Parish Council own the playing fields. Retractable lights and the conservation area were discussed. The feeling that the 8m flood lights with 2m wide lights look very industrial and do not fit within a conservation area being a high priority, followed by light pollution for the surrounding homes and wildlife. There is a clause in the BPPFF lease from the PC that the BPPFF can not do anything on the land to cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties, therefore if neighbouring properties see the floodlights as a nuisance the PC can not agree to allow them to be installed. The PC need to give due consideration to the wider population of the parish. BPPFF are to have a meeting with the bowling club to discuss the implications of the planning application and for further information from the bowling club. Resolved that the PC want to support the bowling club but cannot support the application for 8m flood lights. The PC would like to find a compromise that works for all involved.	
23/162	Public Participation: further discussions on retractable flood lights, and that the neighbouring properties had not been informed of the planning application for the flood lights by the bowling club, and some that had received information had not received all the information. Light pollution and the range of the intended lights was also discussed.	
23/163	Matters Arising: None	
23/164	Correspondence: The PC have received a resignation from the Parish Council from Janet Walsh. The PC wish to thank Janet for all her hard work over the past 4+ years. This now leaves the PC with 2 vacancies and the PC wish to encourage any members of the public to contact the councillors or the clerk for more information on becoming a parish councillor.	

23/165	<p>Planning: The following applications were discussed: 24/00740/FUL 1A Little Barrow Hall Mews Station Lane Barrow Proposal: Construction of single storey detached double garage. Infill of original garage gable end doors with brickwork and formation of circular window opening. Resolved reviewed with no objections.</p>	
23/166	<p>Accounts /Finance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> March cashbook & bank reconciliation approved. Monies received: Bank interest received £92.96 Payments ratified/approved & monies received: March payroll ratified Refund Cllr of NDP costs £121.61 ratified BPPFF – room hire £20 ratified CR Law Hedge cutting £360 ratified Cestrian Signs – NDP cost £60 ratified Payment noted last month to Cllr – repay of £92.32 was infact £102.31 (£9.99 delivery omitted) <p>Notes: Bank interest discussed. TW reiterated it is difficult to find anywhere offering higher interest that will accept account holders with dual signatories but will look further into it. Bank signatories: Resolved to add AP to bank signatories. TW to organise paperwork.</p>	<p>TW TW</p>
23/167	<p>Grant application: The PC had received a request for a grant towardst he cost of the Barrolympics, but as the ward councillors have given them a grant this is not required at this time.</p>	TW
23/168	<p>Highways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Drain on Hollowmore Heath is still overflowing, Highways did do some work previously, but it has not been successful. TW to follow up. Grass verges: CWAC are again running a “No Mow May” to encourage wildlife. JO to obtain quotes on verge cutting in various area of the village after NMM. Allotment area and road to Stamford bridge are particularly bad. 	TW
23/169	<p>Village Noticeboards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> AP has checked the Noticeboard at Barrowmore which is rotten and non-salvageable. This is to be removed. 	
23/170	<p>Working Groups & Sub Committees – updates:</p> <p>Flood Group. The flood group have received the EA’s finalised Flood Report with their recommendations. They will now talk to all the landowners and ensure they are on board with the concept before looking at potential sources of funding. They have also alerted our MP, Edward Timpson, to Barrow’s flooding issues and the difficulties of securing funding to ensure people and properties receive the support and protection they need.</p> <p>Footpath’s Committee: Have confirmed TW has the correct total for their money held with the PC. Footpath committee to update their records.</p>	TW
23/171	<p>BPPFF – update: Still looking at funding for any replacement equipment. To have a meeting with the bowling club to discuss the planning application for the flood lights.</p>	
23/172	<p>Neighbourhood Development Plan: NDP meetings in March went ahead. The consultation is open until the end of April. It has been confirmed that funding will be available again this financial year, JT & TW to apply for this as soon as is possible, to get the housing needs survey completed. TW to complete the return of spent monies from the grant and refund the balance.</p>	<p>JT TW</p>

23/173	Items for Next Meeting- Noticeboards. NDP, Co-option policy.	
23/174	Date of next meeting –Annual Parish council Meeting of the Parish council - Monday 13 th May 2024 at 7.pm	

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed

Date