

BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Barrow Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 13th May 2024 at Barrow Village Hall

2024

Meeting started 7.15pm

Present	Cllr Paul Rossington (Chair)(PR) Cllr Andy Porter (Vice Chair) (AP) Cllr Julia Tillotson (JT) Cllr John Okell (JO) Clerk – Tracey Whitlow (TW) 2 members of the public (MOP)	
24/01	Apologies for Absence were received from: Cllr David Cunningham (DC) Ward Councillor Margaret Parker	
24/02	Declarations of Members’ Interests: None	
24/03	Approval of Minutes: The circulated minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 8 th April 2024 were approved & signed by the Chair.	
24/04	Public Participation: 2 MOP present to discuss planning application 24/00894/AGR Bank House, Station Lane Barrow – Agricultural Shed. The MOP’s furnished the PC with information to be considered whilst discussing the application further into the meeting. 2 MOP left the meeting at 7.35pm	
24/05	Matters Arising: None	
24/06	Correspondence: None that hasn’t been circulated or covered as an agenda item.	
24/07	Planning: The following applications were discussed: 24/00894/AGR - discussed – Resolved to comment to planning on: Access to the site is on a shared access track, with poor visibility, to ask for a Highways report. Potential of flooding on the site to the lower side of the site due to the removal of the natural drainage (field) to replace with hardstanding, thus reducing the greenbelt. The aesthetics of the site in the open countryside. TW to circulate comments for approval from the PC before submitting to LPA. Bowling club Lights: JO has asked the Bowling club to attend a meeting with the BPPFF, as the PC, as landlords, won’t approve the 8mt lights even if LPA do, so discussions needed to find a middle ground that, the PC as landlords, are in agreement to. JO was advised that if the LPA refuse the application, it is difficult to reapply for the same – so potential to withdraw the application was discussed to enable the BC to make amendments prior to re-submitting.	TW JO
24/08	Accounts /Finance: 1. April cashbook & bank reconciliation approved. 2. Monies received: Allotment income £98.00 Footpath booklet sales £40.00 CWAC precept £26,500.00 3. Payments ratified/approved & monies received:	

	<p>April payroll ratified Barrow village Hall £54.00 meetings Barrow Village Hall £84.00 History Group & NDP Payroll company £19.15 ChALC membership 24-25 £300.20</p> <p>Notes: VAT refund claim for 24-25 has been submitted £1079.02.</p> <p>Confirmation of the prior approval payments for the year 24-25. Agreed and signed by the chair.</p>	
24/09	<p>Highways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Drain on Hollowmore Heath: TW has followed this up again. Julia to forward photos to TW to follow up again, it is more than a blocked drain. 2. Chevrons have been replaced. 3. Grass verges: JO is following up on quotes for various area's of mowing throughout the village. 	<p>JT TW JO</p>
24/10	<p>Village Noticeboards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Removal of notice boards are work in progress. 	AP
24/11	<p>Asset of Community Value (ACV):</p> <p>With the lease for the White Horse being on the market, an ACV was discussed – TW & PR to look further into this.</p>	TW PR
24/12	<p>Working Groups & Sub Committees – updates:</p> <p>Flood Group: Report received- Everything is gathering momentum with work done on banks under EA guidance already appearing to be having a positive impact downstream of Mill Lane. Mersey Forest potentially keen to feature Barrow as a case study and there would be support for any tree planting etc. Having made progress and with proper research under way via Liverpool University we know need to build on this with a suitable, sustainable flood management plan for the future.</p> <p>Footpath's Committee: No report.</p>	
24/13	<p>BPPFF – update:</p> <p>There will be an open meeting for the public to attend to see/discuss plans for the re-development of the playground. Bowling club lights (see 24/07) Borrow-lympics – itinerary now done.</p>	
24/14	<p>Neighbourhood Development Plan:</p> <p>The consultations are now complete. Analysis being done. Biggest complaint is the lack of bus services to the area. Another committee meeting is planned for early June.</p>	
24/15	<p>Items for Next Meeting: AGAR. Co-option policy.</p>	
24/16	<p>Date of next meeting: Monday 10th June 2024 at 7.30pm</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Signed

Date