

BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Barrow Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 9th January 2023 at Barrow Village Hall

2022

Meeting started 7.30pm

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| Present | <p>Cllr Paul Rossington (Chair)(PR) Cllr John Okell (JO) Cllr Katie Jones (KJ) Cllr Andy Porter (AP)</p> | <p>Cllr Janet Walsh (JW) Cllr Louise Martland (LM) Cllr Julia Tillotson (JT) Clerk Tracey Whitlow (TW)</p> | |
| 22/103 | Apologies for Absence were received from: Ward Cllr's Margaret Parker & Graham Heatley | | |
| 22/104 | Declarations of Members' Interests Cllr Katie Jones – planning application 22/04386/FUL | | |
| 22/105 | Public Participation – No members of the public were present | | |
| 22/106 | Approval of Minutes The circulated minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 12 th December 2022 were approved & signed by the Chair | | |
| 22/107 | Correspondence The allotment committee have asked the PC to establish who the hedge belongs to, as the fence is collapsing. PR suggested it should be on the conveyancing details PR/TW to investigate. | | TW PR |
| 22/108 | <p>Planning 22/04301/FUL & 22/04311/FUL – Lodge Farm Station Road After discussion the PC would like to comment to planning that there is a need in the area for smaller 2/3/4 bedroom properties, and would therefore have preferred to see this in the application, also that there is an error in reference to footpaths, and there is another error in reference to public transport. 22/04386/FUL- West Cottage Main Street (KJ was not involved in the discussion) After discussion the PC resolved no comment 22/04633/CAT – Land adjacent to Brookfield, Mill Lane – removal of trees. No comment</p> | | TW |
| 22/109 | <p>Accounts (1) December cashbook/Out-turn /bank reconciliation approved (2) December payroll approved (3) Payment to MOP £104.74 reimbursement of Christmas activity purchases (4) CR Law- grass cutting - £360.00 (4) Income received- CWAC grant £500 towards Christmas lights</p> <p>Resolved to purchase extra Christmas tree lights, with the remainder of the CWAC grant</p> | | |
| 22/110 | Budget 2023/2024 Resolved to accept the budget of £24,000 for 2023/24 | | |

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| 22/111 | Precept 2023/2024 Resolved to set the precept at the same level as the budget of £24,400 This gives an increase of £3.13 per year for a Band D property. TW to return the precept form to CWAC before 31 st January | TW |
| 22/112 | Annual Insurance Resolved that the annual insurance meets the present needs of the PC | |
| 22/113 | MAY elections TW advised of dates of interest for the forthcoming Ward & Parish Council elections and the impact of this on the PC, being that no new decisions can be made by the PC after 16 th March, until the Annual meeting, which must be set between the 10 th – 23 rd May 2023 | |
| 22/114 | Asset Maintenance and Register (1) Hedges & Verges – No comment (2) Grass verges- wild flower planting – No comment (3) Jubilee Footpath Maintenance –No comment (4) Tree Maintenance Work Update – Cllr Rossington is still awaiting an update (5) Fire safety -Smoke/Fire Alarm Checks – TW raised the question of PAT testing any electrical equipment, KJ to add this to the schedule. Siting of bins was also discussed in relation to fire safety- caretaker to be asked to ensure all bins are a minimum of 2meters from the building. | KJ TW |
| 22/115 | Working Groups & Sub Committees - updates (1) BPPFF – No further matters (2) Footpaths – The footpath committee have a meeting next week. TW was requested to contact Guilden Sutton PC to ask to post on their website/Notice Boards regarding “dog on lead” following several sheep worrying attacks, the same to go on Barrow website. (3) Flooding Working Group/Community Resilience Planning – Cllr Porter to chase CWT for a meeting | TW AP |
| 22/116 | Pavilion & Playing Field – (1) Tree and Shrub Planting – 6 evergreen shrubs have been purchases, PC to plant them next weekend. (2) Entrance Work – TW to contact CWAC as to any available grants (3) Pavilion Lighting – The ward councillors grant money has just been received. | TW |
| 22/117 | IT Systems – File sharing – TW advised that ChALC do not recommend this, linked to GDPR, and as an employee the clerk is responsible for all paperwork. | |
| 22/118 | Neighbourhood Development Plan – Update No December meeting, no report. | |
| 22/119 | Date of next meeting –Proposed Monday 13 th February at 7.30pm | |

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Signed

Date