

BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Barrow Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 11th September 2023 at Barrow Village Hall

2023

Meeting started 7.30pm

Present	Cllr Paul Rossington (Chair)(PR) Cllr Janet Walsh (JW) Cllr Julia Tillotson (JT) Cllr John Okell (JO) Cllr Andy Porter (AP) Cllr Katie Jones (KJ) Clerk – Tracey Whitlow (TW)	
23/42	Apologies for Absence were received from: Cllr David Cunningham (DC)	
23/43	Declarations of Members’ Interests - none	
23/44	Public Participation – no members of the public present.	
23/45	Approval of Minutes The circulated minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 10 July 2023 were approved & signed by the Chair	
23/46	Matters Arising – If not covered by agenda Freedom of Information- TW confirmed that the recent FOI request for details of flooding over the past 5 years in the village had been answered within the 20-working day timeframe, and that no other correspondence from the FOI requester had been received.	
23/47	Correspondence – Unless covered as an agenda item. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Email received from a member of the public, stating that a local farmer had cut hedges in the village with no warning signs. Council requested TW email MOP to explain that this is not something in the PC’s remit and they should contact highways. 2. The Christmas Tree lighting will be on Thursday 7th December. 	TW
23/48	Planning <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 23/01860/LBC- Barrow Hall Farm – replacement windows – no objections raised. 2. 23/02179/CAT -The Smithy Mill Lane – Reduce tree crown – no objections raised. 3. 23/02137/AGR – Barrow Nurseries – construction of water irrigation lagoon – no objections raised. 4. 23/02167/LBC & 23/01266/FUL- Bridgewater House Main Street – Single story rear extension and internal alterations – no objections raised. 5. 23/02273/LBC – Long green Farm – replacement windows to listed building – no objections raised. 6. 23/02541/FUL – Barrow Nurseries – extension to poly tunnels – no objections raised. 	
23/49	Accounts <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. July & August cashbook & bank reconciliation approved. Payments ratified/approved & monies received. 2. July & August payroll ratified. 3. Clerks expenses May & June £95.65 ratified 4. KDE invoice 1657974 - Pavilion work -£209.76 ratified 	

	<p>5. Dee Fire – Annual fire safety checks - £246 ratified.</p> <p>6. September payroll approved.</p> <p>7. VAT refund received £1822.78.</p> <p>8. Footpath booklets receipt £20.</p>	
23/50	<p>War Memorial Insurance: Resolved not to adopt the War Memorial, although the PC would consider spending if necessary. JT to inform the Reverend of this decision.</p>	JT
	<p>Annual Insurance. TW had circulated the Asset Register for approval, before starting to get quotes for the annual Insurance. Resolved to write off the old PC computer from the asset register. TW to obtain insurance quotes.</p>	TW TW
23/51	<p>Asset Maintenance and Register</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Grass Verges: Tom Spruce to cut the Jubilee footpath. Highways: JT to report potholes to CWAC. TW to follow up the request for the 50 mph request after the cricket club. KJ to contact Charles Law, contractor re: hedge by the Fingerpost, the tree on the edge of the playing field and Normans wood, if they can't do the work KJ to contact other contractors. Fire Safety. Update - Dee Fire have complete fire safety checks at the Pavilion. 	JT TW KJ
23/52	<p>Working Groups & Sub Committees – updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Footpaths: New booklets have been received. Firma Lane, Upper Lane and Hollowmore Heath are overgrown, TW to contact CWAC Flooding Working Group/Community Resilience Planning – No meeting through the summer. BPPFF – The Pavilion will be open when matches are on. The BPPFF are collecting quotes for the replacement of the playground equipment. There has been no significant income as of yet 	TW
23/54	<p>Pavilion & Playing Field –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Entrance works: TW asked for a few details, with which she can now finalise the National Lottery application. The pavilion lighting/electrical work -JO is still dealing with contractors over electrical work, discussed at length, if contractor can't reduce their quote other contractors to be contacted. Trees & Shrubs: JT & JW to purchase the remaining 2 more trees to fulfil the requirement of the grant. Fire Risk Assessment – JW has updated this, JW queried whether this should also cover the air conditioning, TW to investigate. 	TW JO JT JW TW
23/55	<p>Neighbourhood development Plan – This is moving ahead. JT is to organise a Village Consultation Meeting, to be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 11th October.</p>	
23/56	<p>Barrowmore: No update.</p>	KJ
23/57	<p>Items for Next Meeting- Highways. 2024/25 Budget</p>	
23/58	<p>Date of next meeting – Monday 9th October at 7.30pm</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed

Date