

BARNBY IN THE WILLOWS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10 September 2015 in the Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

PC/86/15 Attendance and Apologies

Members present: Cllrs Graham Bett (Chairman), Dave Shaw, Rob Jones, Celia Derbyshire, Janette Barlow, Ben Powell, Carina Jukes.

In attendance: Yvette Wellard (Clerk), District Cllr Johnathan Lee, District Cllr David Payne, 4 members of the Parish.

Apologies were received from County Cllr Maureen Dobson.

PC/87/15 Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

PC/88/15 Public and District Cllr Contributions.

- (i) Mr Neil Gribby spoke about his plans for a certified caravan club site on the field next to Wellington Lodge on Long Lane. Although formal planning permission is not a requirement, the Caravan Club does consider local opinion before granting a licence, and Mr Gribby wanted the Parish Council to be aware of what his plans involved. The site would have improved access, screening by native species hedging, hard standing areas, and provision of drinking water and sewage disposal. There would be no more than 5 caravans at a time.
- (ii) Mrs Janine Stanley informed the Council that she had volunteered to help Mark Evison and the Clerk to keep the web site updated, and to set up online fund raising for the Village Hall and All Saints' Church.

PC/89/15 Minutes of the July Parish Council Meeting.

Cllr Derbyshire requested an amendment to item 84b in the minutes of 9 July 2015 re the Local Boundary Commission consultation, to include reference to Barnby's strong rural and agricultural links with the Collingham area.

PC/90/15 Matters arising.

78(i) Cllrs were advised that the portacabin sited at 1 Front Street had now been removed.

PC/91/15 Finance and Administration.

a. Payment of invoices

Proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Shaw, the following payments were approved:

Clerk's salary, July & August	137.60
HMRC PAYE	51.60
Les Chaplin, mowing expenses	25.88
Severn Trent Water (half year)	89.50
Eon	88.34

b. Auditor's Report

The annual audit of accounts had been completed and signed off by Grant Thornton. No issues had been raised.

c. Web site and Newsletter

The Clerk thanked Mrs Stanley for her help in getting information on to the web site and helping Mark Evison to expand the scope of the site. Cllrs accepted that this was a community web site for all sections of the village, but content would continue to be monitored.

PC/92/15 Village Hall

a. Village Hall Committee Report.

Cllr Shaw reported Village Hall fund raising of £219 from the Treasure Hunt and £117 from the Horticultural Show. Further events had been organised, and Barnby calendars will be on sale in November for which an initial payment of £219 will be required.

The District Cllrs left the meeting

b. Maintenance.

Cllr Bett had received two quotations for replacement guttering in both aluminium and cast iron. A third quote was still to be received. It was proposed by Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr Derbyshire and agreed, that guttering, brackets and down pipes on the west side of the building be replaced where necessary, re-using any existing materials still in good condition.

PC/93/15 Village Green and Playing Field.

a. Mowing Report

Mr Glen Woolley had volunteered to mow the Green and field whilst Mr Chaplin was away for a few weeks. There were still reports of dog mess on the Village Green.

b. Renewal of Playing Field Lease

Further to the Clerk's telephone conversation with Mrs Snipe, a letter had been received from Birketts solicitors acting for the Snipe family, requesting a copy of the original lease from 1972 so that a new lease could be drawn up.

PC/94/15 Planning and Consultations

a. S/15/1764 Application for 10 Wind Turbines at Fulbeck Airfield.

The application by Energiekontor for 10 x 110m high turbines would affect the landscape for many miles around, and was deemed by the planning authority as having a moderate/major impact on Barnby. A photomontage of the view from Church Field was circulated. Cllr Derbyshire advised that changes to national guidelines will make it harder to obtain funding for the project, and that in future, more notice will be taken of local opinion on wind turbines. It was therefore very important that everyone made their views known. The Parish Council voted unanimously to object to the plans because of the visual impact on a wide area of recreational countryside, the intrusion on Barnby's Grade 1 listed All Saints' Church, traffic safety and support for neighbouring villages. The Clerk would circulate the Parish Council's response before submitting to SKDC.

The Clerk was asked to request a paper copy of the plans from SKDC.

b. Proposed Caravan Club Site.

The Chairman thanked Mr Gribby for explaining his plans. It was reported that one resident adjacent to the back of the site was objecting, and it was suggested that additional screening could be planted between the properties. There were also some concerns about increased traffic. The Caravan had invited comments from the Parish Council, but Cllrs felt that they were unable to represent the differing views, and it should be left to individuals to submit their own comments.

PC/95/15 Footpaths and Roads

The Clerk was asked to establish the exact route of Footpath 3a, past the sewage works, towards the river.

PC/96/15 Correspondence

- Parish Council Conference 5 October 6:00pm at Kelham Hall – agenda to be circulated.
- NALC AGM 18 November 7:30pm at Epperstone Village Hall – the Clerk to attend as voting delegate. Barbara Hill to be nominated for a Long Service Certificate.

..... Chairman

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