BARNBY IN THE WILLOWS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th April 2016 in the Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

PC/34/16 Attendance and Apologies

Members present: Cllrs Graham Bett (Chairman), Dave Shaw, Janette Barlow,

Celia Derbyshire, Carina Jukes,

In attendance: Yvette Wellard (Clerk), District Cllrs David Payne and Johnathan Lee.

1 member of the parish.

Apologies were received from Cllr Powell, Cllr Jones, Co.Cllr Dobson.

PC/35/16 Declarations of Interest.

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

PC/36/16 Public and District Council Contributions.

Cllr Payne referred to Cllr Dobson's comments on the North Midlands Devolution Agreement made at the previous meeting. He agreed that rural areas would be paying for something that would be of no benefit to them. However, he wished to make clear that the current increase in rates was nothing to do with the cost of the new District Council offices, which would be paid for from capital, not from revenue, and would result in a reduction in revenue expenditure. The rates had increased as a result of the Government's withdrawal of the 1% subsidy for not increasing rates, (which NSDC had not done for 7 years), and was also due to the apprenticeship levy, and increased pension and NI contributions.

PC/37/16 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10 March 2016.

Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr Barlow proposed that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as correct. The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

PC/38/16 Matters arising.

28b) The Clerk advised that the next round of funding for Transparency expenses would be announced in April.

PC/39/16 Finance.

a) Payment of invoices

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

£
68.90
103.94
59.94
261.72
87.10
139.87
4.00
496.10

b) Draft Accounts and End of Year Budget Summary

Copies of the draft accounts and financial statement were circulated. Cllrs commented on the excellent fund raising by the Village Hall Committee and noted the increase in lettings' income.

PC/40/16 Administration.

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a) Village Hall

The guttering repairs were still outstanding – the Chairman would speak to the contractor again to get this resolved. Cllr Jukes suggested someone who could box in the pipework in the gents' toilet, and would speak to them about it. Paint and tiles had been purchased and volunteers were needed for painting. Members agreed to the purchase of 2 hand towel dispensers and other minor fittings for the toilets to be ordered from County Supplies.

There was no report from the Village Hall Committee as Cllr Shaw had resigned as Secretary.

b) Village Green and Playing Field

Les Chaplin would be away for most of May, and Glenn Wolley had volunteered to mow the Green and field in his absence. The Clerk had put up the new goal nets and purchased duck tape for binding the edges to prevent fraying.

c) Defibrillator Fund

Following initial enthusiasm at the public meeting, donations to the fund had started well, but had now slowed. The fund currently stood at £475. The Clerk would ask Diana Johnson for ideas to help promote the project again.

PC/41/16 Correspondence

The resignation of Cllr Dave Shaw was received as he would shortly be leaving the village. The Clerk would start the nomination process for his replacement.

PC/42/16 Matters for Immediate Note / Next Agenda

There were no further matters for attention.

The meeting closed at 8:15pm.	
Chairman	Date