

BARNBY IN THE WILLOWS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 January 2017 in the Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Present:

Cllrs Graham Bett (Chairman), Janette Barlow, Celia Derbyshire, Rob Jones.
Yvette Wellard (Clerk).

PC/01/17 Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr Jukes, Cllr Parker, Co Cllr Dobson, Dist Cllr Payne and Dist Cllr Lee.

PC/02/17 Declarations of Interest – there were no declarations of interest.

PC/03/17 Public Contributions. There were no members of the public present.

PC/04/17 Approval of Minutes.

Proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Barlow, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th November 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

PC/05/17 Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising from the meeting.

PC/06/17 Finance:

a) Payment of Invoices

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

Clerk's salary, Nov/Dec	139.34
NSDC Premises Licence	70.00
Eon	146.37
Grimes Gas x 2	102.00

b) Budget

Members reviewed income and expenditure to date and expressed concern at the fall in Village Hall revenue during 2016. However, it was acknowledged that fund raising had concentrated on the defibrillator and the church roof, both of which were now complete. Copies of the draft 2017/18 budget were received for approval at the next meeting.

c) 2017/18 Precept

Cllrs discussed future maintenance requirements for the Village Hall. It was agreed that the precept would need to be increased to ensure funds were available for future essential repairs and maintenance. It was proposed by Cllr Derbyshire, seconded by Cllr Barlow and unanimously agreed to set the 2017/18 precept at £2,750.

PC/07/17 Defibrillator

The Clerk confirmed that the application to adopt the telephone kiosk for housing the defibrillator had been submitted. The total sum raised was **£2,563.88:-**

On-line donations to CHT	542.23	
Donations by cheque to PC	150.00	
NCC Funding (Cllr Dobson)	500.00	(any surplus designated for Village Hall chairs)
Bonfire Night fund raiser	1,235.65	
Village Carol Singing	136.00	

PC/08/17 Administration:

a) Village Hall – The brickwork over the front door and tiling in the gents was still to be done, The Chairman would speak to Mr Shelbourne again.

Hall lettings were down, and the Clerk was asked to look into how the hire of the hall could be promoted outside the village for classes or private hire.

b) Village Green and Playing Field – It was agreed to site the shed to house the ride on mower at the back of the Village Hall. The Clerk had been unable to find a copy of the original playing field lease which solicitors for Barnby Manor Estates had requested, but would send a copy of the 1994 lease which was a renewal of the original lease.

c) Footpaths and Environment – There was nothing to report.

d) Bus Services – Cllr Jones reported that the Wright's phone-a-bus service was working satisfactorily, but had to be booked a day in advance. He tabled a letter confirming that the PC Coaches service to Barnby had been suspended for the duration of the Severn Trent Water roadworks in Newark. The Clerk would refer the letter to County Cllr Dobson.

PC/09/17 Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence.

PC/10/17 Items for immediate attention or the next agenda

Wind Turbines - Cllr Derbyshire reported on the latest meeting of VETO and the community response to the supplementary environmental information. Energiekontor had been asked to provide more detail of the impact on Barnby Church and conservation area, but this had not been forthcoming. The noise impact survey had been assessed at the upper limit of acceptable noise, and VETO maintained that the level should be set at a lower level in a rural area. It was understood that NSDC had been consulted again by SKDC, but the Parish Council had not been informed. The Clerk would check this with the planning dept.

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 9th February 2017. Cllr Barlow gave her apologies.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm