BARNBY IN THE WILLOWS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19 July 2018 in the Village Hall at 7:30pm. Present:

Cllrs Janette Barlow (Chmn), Graham Bett, Carina Jukes, Celia Derbyshire, Joanne Woolley. Yvette Wellard (Clerk).

PC/43/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Parker, Cllr Powell and County Cllr Dobson.

PC/44/18 Declarations of Interest

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

PC/45/18 Public and District Councillor Contributions.

There were no Councillors or members of the public present.

PC/46/18 Approval of the May Parish Council Minutes.

Proposed as a true record by Cllr Jukes, seconded by Cllr Derbyshire, the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 10th May were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

PC/47/18 Matters Arising.

PC/38/18 It was noted that Barnby had progressed to the second round of the Best Kept Village Competition.

PC/48/18 Finance:

a) Payment of Invoices

Proposed by Cllr Derbyshire, seconded by Cllr Woolley the following items were agreed for payment:

Clerk's salary June/July	149.42
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ICO Registration (Direct Debit)	35.00
March newsletter	35.20
Audit expenses	16.07
Eon	88.33
Water Plus (STW)	13.15
Refuse Collection	92.04

b) Auditor's Report and Remuneration

The Internal Auditor's Report was read out by the Clerk. It was confirmed that all audit reports and notices had been posted on the web site and notice board as required. It was proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Jukes and agreed to reimburse the internal auditor's expenses for printing and postage.

c) Accounts April - June 2018

Copies of income and expenditure for the first financial quarter were circulated. Concerns were expressed at the decrease in Village Hall revenue due to a decline in regular lettings as weekly meetings for line dancing and the Fibro Group had both ended and the lack of support for fundraising events organised by the Village Hall Committee. It was agreed to publish figures in the Barnby News to inform residents of how much is required in basic running costs for the Village Hall. The Clerk would look at possible advertising opportunities to promote the hall for corporate events.

PC/49/18 Planning.

a) 18/01208/FUL Willow Tree Cottages - Erection of a single garage.

Cllrs were concerned about the reduction of space available for visitors' parking if a large portion of the car park was to be taken up by a garage and access to the garage. The business has eight letting rooms which potentially require eight parking spaces as well as the owners' own cars. A question was also raised about the proposed garage being so far in front of the line of build to the front of the property on the approach to the village from Long Lane. Proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Derbyshire, it was agreed to submit these comments in response to the planning consultation.

b) Planning Decisions.

The application for an extension to Church Cottage had been refused due to objections by the Conservation Officer. A revised plan for a smaller lean-to extension had been approved as permitted development without further consultation.

PC/50/18 Administration

a) Proposed Amalgamation of Committees

The Village Hall Committee and Village Events Committee had proposed an amalgamation of the two committees for organising fundraising events. Cllrs discussed the possible implications for the Village Hall which has been dependent on fundraising by the Committee for at least 50% of its annual running costs. It was felt that more information and discussion was needed before an agreement could be reached, to ensure that the Village Hall would continue to be fully supported. In the meantime, it was proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Bett and agreed, that the two committees should continue to work together but remain separate until the aims and revised constitution for a combined committee could be agreed.

b) Village Hall

Volunteers would be sought for re-decorating the main hall as soon as a weekend free of bookings was available. The Clerk would try to obtain primer and undercoats from any sources available through sponsorship or donations.

c) Village Green

Mr Chaplin had sustained an injury which would prevent him from mowing the Village Green for the rest of the season. Mr Parker and Mr Woolley had volunteered to take on the mowing.

The telephone kiosk had been fully restored and re-painted and Cllrs expressed their thanks to Mr Derek Parker and other volunteers who had worked on it.

d) Gateway Signs

The Village Events Committee had raised £1,002 with another successful Party on the Green. Of this, £907 would complete the fundraising for a new village sign. (£95 raised from the sale of teas at the party would go to Village Hall funds). It was proposed by Cllr Woolley, seconded by Cllr Barlow, that with fundraising now achieved, an order could be placed with Malcolm Lane & Sons for one decorative sign, complete with a strap plate showing 'please drive carefully', which would be subject to approval of the art work.

e) Data Protection Regulations.

The data protection policy, data audit and privacy notices had been previously circulated. Cllr Derbyshire, seconded by Cllr Barlow proposed adoption of the policy and notices which was agreed by all Cllrs and would be published on the village web site.

f) Footpaths, Roads, Environment.

The Clerk was asked to thank Mr Neil Gribby for mowing the footpath at the side of School House which had become very overgrown. Lincolnshire CC had replaced the vandalised style at the end of the footbridge with a new gate. The Clerk was asked to contact Notts CC about the condition of the footbridge and some of the overgrown footpaths around the village.

g) Village Noticeboard.

It was generally agreed that a new noticeboard was needed where it would be seen by more people. All Saints' Church is planning to install a new noticeboard which they would be willing to share if the Parish Council wanted to contribute to a larger noticeboard that would serve both organisations. No agreement was reached in a discussion on the best place to site a new parish noticeboard.

h) Safer Neighbourhood Group.

The SNG meeting had been held in Barnby on 11th July with a very small attendance. PCSO Hyde had explained the police decision to amalgamate the Central SNG (Barnby, Coddington, Winthorpe) with the Collingham area SNG which would be the only meetings that the police would attend. Cllrs had no objections to the amalgamation.

i) Dog bins.

It was agreed to postpone a discussion on the provision of dog bins until the next meeting.

PC/51/18 Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence.

PC/52/18 Matters for immediate note / next agenda

No further matters were raised.

The meeting closed at 9:30pm.

Date of the next meeting - Thursday 13th September at 7:30pm