

BARTON BENDISH PARISH COUNCIL

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 9th November 2016
commencing at 7.00pm in Barton Bendish Village Hall

Present:

Cllr PAJ Carter	Chairman
Cllr L Kinsey	
Cllr AV McAlister	
Cllr J Richardson	
Cllr W Tasker	
Cllr T M Webster	
Miss SJ Thorpe	Parish Clerk

6 members of the public

1. Apologies

None

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Carter and Tasker declared a non pecuniary interest in item 9a and Cllr Webster declared a non pecuniary interest in item 7d.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 28th September 2016, having been circulated to all prior to the meeting, were amended at the last bullet point under item 12 to correctly show the location as "the council houses" rather than "Abbey Farm Cottages" and then agreed as correct and signed following a proposal by Cllr Richardson, and seconded by Cllr Tasker.

4. Matters Arising

The Clerk advised that a response had been received from Anglian Water regarding the complaint sent to them after the last meeting. The response was read out. It advised that they were currently working on a scheme for Septicity Dosing for Odours which would improve the situation and they had chased up a funding request for this scheme. In the meantime they would arrange for the system to be jetted and look at fitting a new filter at the vent column on Buttlands Lane. Residents advised that there had been increased activity by Anglian Water at the site but this had not helped as the odour of sewerage was still present most days. Clerk to contact Anglian Water again to advise on the situation and request a further update.

5. Highways Issues

Cllr Tasker advised that the pavement outside the pub had recently been repaired and that the finger posts on Eastmoor Road and Beachamwell Road had been replaced.

The following outstanding issues to be chased up by the Clerk:

- Eastmoor Road – 40mph sign still laying flat on the grass verge near The Manor
- Eastmoor Road – pot holes outside No 63-64

6. Reports

a Projects committee – Cllr McAlister advised that the only current project was the RAF Marham Senior Citizens Christmas lunch which was to be discussed under item 9b.

7. Finance

a Payments for authorisation – the following payment was due by cheque:

Miss S Thorpe	expenses/training Oct/Nov	£112.01
St Andrew's PCC	contribution to churchyard maintenance	£250.00
Payments made by standing order:		
HMRC	PAYE for July	£36.80
Miss S Thorpe	August salary	£147.49
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Miss S Thorpe	September salary	<u>£147.49</u>
		<u>£730.59</u>

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It was agreed to authorise these payments, proposed by Cllr Richardson, seconded by Cllr Carter.

- b Cash Book reconciliation – The Cash Book had been reconciled to 31st October 2016 and the balance of the bank account was £7826.75 which was confirmed by sight of the bank statement to the Chairman. There were no unpresented cheques therefore this agreed to the balance in the Cash Book.
- c Budget forecast for 2017/18 - The Clerk circulated a draft budget to all Councillors. This was briefly discussed and the Clerk requested that Councillors provide details before the next PC meeting if they had any other items to include in the budget. A decision will be made on setting the precept at the next PC meeting.
- d Contribution to St Andrew's Church for maintenance of the churchyard – It was agreed by all to authorise a donation of £250 following a proposal by Cllr Tasker and seconded by Cllr McAlister.

8. Internal Council matters

None

9. Parish Affairs

- a Update on village hall lease and sound system – The village hall committee wanted to appoint a new trustee and Mrs Jill Mason had volunteered to take on the role of Chairman. This matter would need to appear on the agenda for the next PC meeting. Documentation had been located which showed that the current lease was due for renewal in 2018. The new sound system was on hold at the moment until the situation regarding the lease was resolved. Cllr Tasker advised that some repairs had been carried out to the floor and the owners of the hall were looking to install a new floor.
- b RAF Marham Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch – Cllr McAlister advised that there had been no response to the advertisement in Group 4 News and provided a list of names of senior citizens in the parish to be nominated by the PC to attend the Christmas Lunch in December. The Chairman read out the list of names and it was agreed that the Clerk should forward this list to RAF Marham.
- c Mayor of KL & WN Voluntary Service Awards – The deadline for an application by the PC was 13th January 2017. It was agreed that Councillors should give consideration to putting forward a name and that information would need to be provided on any prospective candidate before the next PC meeting to allow time for the application to be made by the deadline.

10. Correspondence

The Clerk updated the Council with items of correspondence which had been received. Items worthy of note included:

- A response from BT regarding the PC request to adopt the telephone kiosk on Church Road; it advised that the kiosk was available for adoption and BT would carry out a full 90 days consultation with the BC to obtain consent to remove the telephony prior to adoption. Cllrs agreed that the PC would support this planning application.
- A reply from RAF Marham regarding overflying of the village. It advised that there had not been any change to the flying procedures and that every care was taken to minimise disturbance within the vicinity.
- Invitation from RAF Marham to attend an information update meeting on 6th December at 6pm. Cllr Carter to attend.
- A letter had been received from the BC advising that up until 28 November 2016 they were carrying out a Call for Sites and Policy Suggestions Consultation in preparation of a review of the Local Plan (Core Strategy and Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Plan) which when adopted would guide development in the area to 2036. Details of how to make submissions were available on the BC website.
- Clerks & Councils Direct Newsletter.

11. Planning

- a Applications received – the following applications had been received:
16/01800/F Variation of conditions 2 and 4 of planning permission 14/00118/F – to re-site proposed new access and amend previously approved drawings at The Bungalow, Lilac Farm, Stoke Ferry Road, Eastmoor, Barton Bendish.

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- The PC made a decision to SUPPORT the application.
- b Decisions received from the Borough Council
16/01372/F Erection of triple garage/office at Keepers Cottage, 29 Church Lane, Barton Bendish. The application had been permitted.

12. Public questions and comments

- Buttlands Lane – sewerage smell. A resident advised that they had attended the meeting to give support to the matter raised by another resident. It was felt that Anglian Water should be doing spot checks. Contact details for Anglian Water and the BC Community Safety Neighbourhood Nuisance were given out and the Clerk confirmed that she would contact Anglian Water but suggested that residents might also like to make a complaint.
- Highways had been seen looking at the pot holes and uneven surface on Church Road so it was hoped that this meant the repair work would be carried out shortly.
- A1122 – junction for turning into Fincham Road. White lines at the junction needed to be repainted. Clerk to report to Highways but advised that this was unlikely to be done before next spring.

13. Date of next meeting will be Wednesday 11th January 2017 in the Village Hall, starting at 7pm for an Ordinary Parish Council meeting.

The meeting was closed at 8.05pm

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