

BARNACK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of a meeting of Barnack Parish Council held on
Monday 11th October 2021 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall.

DRAFT MINUTES FOR APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING

1) ATTENDANCE

In attendance – *Chair: Margaret Palmer (MP), Councillors Sophie Moore (SM), Susie Caney (SC), Iris Payne (IP), Sonia Lane (SL), David Laycock (DL), Kimberley Cameron (KC), Parish Clerk: Debbie Lines (DAL). Ward Councillor David Over (DO), 3 members of the public attended.*

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS *None*

- a) To receive Declarations of Interest from Councillors in items on the Agenda.
- b) To receive written requests for Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- c) To grant any requests for Dispensation as appropriate.

3) PREVIOUS MEETING

- a) To confirm Meeting Minutes of 13th September 2021 held at the Village Hall. *Confirmed.*
- b) Matters Arising from a) above *None*

4) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

- a) Request for additional benches around village *Clerk advised that two benches are now ready to be installed against the wall at the cricket field. Positions for two more are being agreed with Peterborough City Council and we hope to install them soon.*
- b) Notice Boards
 - i. Update re refurbishment of Notice Boards *Clerk advised delivery expected next week of two magnetic inserts for the village notice boards. Our Duke of Edinburgh volunteers have started work sanding down and oiling the notice boards.*
 - ii. Installation of board on new footpath. *Awaiting formation of Sissons Close Management Committee.*
- c) Defibrillator - Emergency phone installation in Barnack kiosk – still not operational. *Electricians expected on site w/c 25th October.*
- d) Dog bins – on order awaiting delivery. *Four bins ordered and awaiting delivery.*
- e) Queen's Platinum Anniversary
 - i. Tree planting - Queen's Green Canopy briefing Zoom 26th October. *The Parish Council agreed to liaise with the Church to plant a Wild Service tree in the churchyard to replace a dead tree. A notice and ceremony will be arranged nearer the time. Elwoods to be asked to remove the dead tree.*
 - ii. Jubilee beacons 2nd June. *Noted.*
- f) Dropped kerbs – Clerk update. *Several new kerbs should be installed before the end of the year, with the junction of Main Road and the B1443 to be looked at in May 2022.*
- g) Meeting with Cross Keys Homes to discuss parking, fencing and gates. *A meeting was held with Cross Key Homes who explained their plans for the site. No action required by the Council at this time.*

5) OPEN FORUM (for issues raised by residents and Councillors to the Clerk)

- a) Caravan parked in the Acres. *The vehicle was supposed to be moved in September but then broke down. Clerk to again ask for its immediate removal.*
- b) Abandoned car in Pudding Bag Lane *Will be removed by PCC as soon as the tax expires in late November.*
- c) Parking in the Pilsgate bus stop. *Parking is allowed in this area. No action.*
- d) Bulky waste. *A bulk waste collection is to be arranged. Clerk to liaise with PCC regarding a suitable date.*
- e) Contacting the police (Barnack PCSO / use of 101). *Previous contact details are now out of date. Email addresses to be obtained and shared.*
- f) Duke of Edinburgh volunteering. *The Council wish to thank Joe Garner and Ben Moore for their work over the past year completing their DofE Silver Awards. Much litter picking, sweeping, strimming and bench building, amongst other good works, has been successfully completed. Joe and Ben are now moving onto their Gold Awards and will continue to support the village.*
- g) Clean up Day Saturday 18th September. *Thank you to everyone who helped tidy up the village. Works completed included cutting back the bushes and weeds on Chapel Lane, litter picking and removing posters*

and old staples from the bus shelters.

6) CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NALC, CAPALC & PCC circulars *Noted*.
- b) St. John Burkett – dead muntjac at Hills & Holes. *The clerk has written to Natural England who have advised that the fencing will be reviewed.*
- c) Roy Beck - Arthur Mellows morning coach pick up. *The Council discussed this issue but felt that no action could be taken.*
- d) Various emails - Uffington Road parking disruption. *Clerk has discussed with Highways who request photographic evidence of congestion and safety concerns before considering yellow lines. Please send any photos you have to the Clerk by email or WhatsApp (clerk@barnack-pc.gov.uk - 07595 377236). A police incident number exists for the traffic congestion, if you wish to lodge a safety concern please use incident number CC-20092021-0273.*
- e) Brown bin suspension. *Clerk advised that these will not now be emptied until next year. Clerk to contact PCC with request to swap out the two brown bins at the cemetery for extra black bins.*
- f) Stop the ARC email *Noted*

7) PLANNING

- a) Linden Homes – 18/00377/REM, ongoing updates throughout the scheme. Discuss implementation concerns re new hills and hole area. *MP advised concerns regarding lack of landscaping per agreed plans and use of herbicide on the wildflower areas. Following lack of response by Linden Homes, this has now been passed to PCC as an enforcement action.*
- b) The Orchard Farm
 - i. 21/00003/ENFBCN Rabbit Farm on Uffington Road.
 - ii. 21/00998/FUL - Retention of rural workers dwelling for a temporary period of 5 years to allow establishment of new ethical free range farming enterprise- retrospective. *PCC have not yet received the report from the agricultural consultant. Awaiting decision.*
- c) S20/0908, Revised submission Simon Boon Homes – Land off Kettering Road, Stamford. *Awaiting decision.*
- d) 21/00938/HHFUL – Point House School Road Barnack - Ground floor rear and first floor side extension. *Permitted.*
- e) 21/01179/HHFUL - Cherry Tree Cottage Stamford Road Barnack - replace current 5 bar gate in driveway with a 1.8m courtyard gate and blend in existing stonewall to new gate posts. *Permitted.*
- f) 21/01029/WCPP -The Millstones - Variation of condition C2 to alter line of retaining wall, amend carpark configuration and relocate garden area to planning permission reference 21/00123/FUL. *Permitted..*
- g) 21/00993/FUL – The Vineyard, Uffington Road – tarmac entrance and limestone tracks. *Awaiting decision.*
- h) 21/01117/FUL - Land to the north of Stamford Road, Pilsgate, Stamford - Change of use of redundant agricultural building to employment use, creating four open plan offices, kitchen space and bathrooms, as well as 18 parking spaces. *Awaiting decision.*
- i) 21/01124/HHFUL – Holly Cottage, Wittering Road, Barnack - Single-storey rear extension, two dormer windows to first floor gables, and construction of detached shed. *Awaiting decision.*
- j) 21/01175/HHFUL - 14 Whitman Close Barnack - Two storey side and rear extension, partial replacement of existing integral single-storey garage, replacement of existing windows / doors, front porch with open canopy and new external finishes. *Awaiting decision.*
- k) 21/01170/HHFUL – 2 The Old Stackyard, Pilsgate – resubmission of garage and extension works. *Awaiting decision.*
- l) 21/01127/LBC Burghley House – alterations to Cooks and Guest flats. *Awaiting decision.*
- m) 20/02056 - St. Martin’s ex Cummins site development. Update re current status. *MP invited to attend South Kesteven DC Planning Committee hearing. KC advised that an adjacent application at Cherryholt Lane has gone to appeal. This area of greenspace could be lost and further reduce access to recreational green area close to the Cummins development.*
- n) 21/01476/CTR The Maltings The Square Barnack - remove ash tree. *No objections.*
- o) 21/01366/CTR Allerton Close – cut back 2 Elm trees and remove 3 others *Withdrawn.*
- p) 21/01206/CLP 4 Bainton Road, Barnack – replacement roof to rear extension. *No objections.*
- q) 21/01460/HHFUL The Nook, Wittering Road – remove UPVC extensions single storey side and rear extensions and general alterations. *No objections, but request but request to ensure solar panels are not intrusive as they can be glimpsed from the lane behind the house.*

8) BURIAL GROUNDS

- a) Renovation and reinstatement of memorials. Clerk update. *The Council agreed to accept the quote from J.G. Cross for £1,990 plus VAT to make good 20 memorials that are potentially unsafe.*
- b) Maintenance: on-going bench renovation. Clerk update. *Weather continues to delay activity.*
- c) Request for headstone B2 102 Nellie Bell. *Approved.*
- d) Request for headstone Butland 639C. *Approved.*
- e) Dogs off lead: request for signage. *Clerk to obtain two new signs, one for each gate.*

9) FINANCIAL

- a) Finance items:
 - i. To approve Monthly Finances, September 2021 *Approved.*
 - ii. To review half year accounts versus budget and year end forecast. *Noted.*
- b) To approve payment of the following outstanding accounts: *Approved to pay.*
 - i. £368.88 Clerk pay and expenses for September
 - ii. £40 ICO Data Protection annual renewal DD
 - iii. £248.67 British Flora – plug plants for graveyard. *Our thanks to the Natural Cambridgeshire Community Grants Scheme who have offered us a grant to pay for these wildflowers.*
 - iv. £770.00 Elwoods August, including gravel for cemetery
 - v. £388.87 Spiegl Press walks leaflets printing
 - vi. £16,234.32 (incl VAT) Swarco VAS signage
 - vii. £0.90 pence bank cheque charges
 - viii. £21.15 Unity bank service charge
 - ix. £90.00 Community Association village hall hire Oct-Dec
- c) To note monies received: *Noted.*
 - i. £75.00 Hallam Change of Deed
 - ii. £11,447.49 PCC 2nd Instalment Precept
 - iii. £150.00 Interment June Bishop
- d) To approve transfer of £10000 between Unity Instant Access and Current Accounts. *Approved.*

10) REPORTS

- a) Ward Group – meeting update 22nd September. *DO gave brief update of items discussed. Barnack PC to submit requests for funding from the Community Leadership fund.*
- b) JCC / Barnack Nature Recovery Plan. *MP advised 200 wild flower plugs and bulbs planted at the Churchyard. A grant from Natural Cambridgeshire had been obtained to cover this.*
- c) Traffic Calming report
 - i. VAS signs: ordered and awaiting delivery. *Work has started by Highways installing the posts for the new VAS signs. The existing sign outside Red Lion house is obscured by trees – Clerk to request these are cut back.*
 - ii. Traffic calming School Road & Wittering Road junction. *PCC advise they are reviewing options. Clerk to follow up.*
 - iii. Millstone Lane: proposal to make one-way: on hold due to staff shortages. *Still on hold pending review by Highways.*
- d) Communications and website
 - i. Village Directory corrections. *Village organisations are still firming up post-COVID plans. A flyer for insertion in the Parish News will be produced when the changes are finalised.*
- e) Local Heritage List. *No report this month.*

11) OTHER ITEMS

- a) Barnack Sports Pavilion. *A request for Barnack Parish Council to fund the planning application for the replacement shed was approved. It was felt that the application should not be in the Councils name as ownership will be with the Cricket Club.*
- b) Primary School MUGA - update re Community Use Agreement.
 - i. *The wording of the agreement was approved by the Council. SL will arrange for signatures and then*

pass to Clerk who will use to finalise the Grant paperwork.

- ii. *SL advised that the MUGA order was not placed by PCC in July as requested. We await revised quote from Supplier. Barnack Parish Council agreed in principle to fund the additional cost subject to Councillors final agreement once the revised cost is known.*
- c) *Christmas planning. Fund raising with the sleigh - Susie to discuss with BCA whether this years donations could go towards the new bell tower ladder required at the church and church flood lighting.*
- d) *Wansford to Stamford old railway line footpath.*
 - i. *This project has been in the Peterborough Local Plan for many years but no action has been taken. The project will only be moved forward if funding becomes available. Concerns regarding two County Wildlife sites, the adoption of part of the track into private property and other concerns re safety and disruption in the villages, would need to be fully consulted on up front with residents and landowners. MP explained that Sutton PC have obtained some funding via the A47 Dualling Scheme to turn some of the old railway line in their parish into a foot and cycle path. MP advised that the item was discussed at the recent Barnack Ward Group meeting and it was agreed that Parish Councils should investigate the possibility of extending this further north, should funds ever become available. At this time no action is envisaged. Three members of the public from Southorpe spoke briefly against the plan. MP assured them that Barnack PC have no intention of making any decisions for the other parishes concerned.*
 - ii. *Two other potential footpath improvement projects within Barnack were discussed as concepts, should funding become available. No action required at this time.*
 - *Link to Torpel Way near the pig farm*
 - *Link to Wittering via the proposed new flyover, upgrading existing footpaths into cycle and bridleways.*
 - iii. *MP has been invited to join the A1 Wittering Flyover committee as Barnack representative.*
- e) *Think Community grant. Councillors to submit ideas to the Clerk for items that we could fund through this grant.*
- f) *Defibrillator Awareness training. The Clerk advised that a joint Awareness session with Southorpe and Ufford is being arranged. Our thanks to Southorpe for suggesting we join forces with them to take advantage of their free session.*
- g) *Street lighting. Clerk to investigate options.*
- h) *Remembrance Sunday. Services will be held on the 11th and 14th.*
- i) *Discuss Chair and Vice-Chair positions. MP agreed to continue as Chairman. No volunteers for Vice-Chair. To review again in the spring.*
- j) *Request to donate towards repair of ladder in church bell tower. Estimates to be provided when available. Further funds may be required to fund the church flood lighting. See also item c above.*

12) HEALTH & SAFETY

- a) *Trees on Chapel Lane. All the elm trees have been assessed as unsafe and need to be removed. The Peterborough Tree Officer is liaising with landowners and the Peterborough Footpaths Officer to decide whether the path should be closed until the trees have been removed. In the meantime, residents are advised to take care if using the lane and to avoid in high winds.*

13) VILLAGE MATTERS

- a) *For attending public to comment on matters discussed. None.*

14) DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 8th November 7pm in Barnack Village Hall

Meeting finished at 9.15pm.

Signed as a true record: Chair **Dated:**