

BARNACK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of a meeting of Barnack Parish Council held on
Monday 8th August 2022 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall

DRAFT MINUTES FOR APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING

1) ATTENDANCE

Chair: Margaret Palmer (MP), David Laycock (DL), Iris Payne (IP), Debbie Lines, Clerk (DaL), (DO).

Apologies: Kimberley Cameron (KC), David Over (DO)

Members of the public: 4 Stuart McCary (SM), Fran Swann (FS), Andrew Taylor (AT) and Peter Sindall (PS)

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 11th July 2022 held at the Village Hall *Confirmed*

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

- a) Potholes on Uffington Road *Hot weather has melted the new top dressing and potholes are reforming quickly. Clerk to discuss with Highways need for further repair.*
- b) Church Clock – *running 10 minutes slow. DL will investigate.*
- c) Yellow salt bin at Pilsgate – *SM offered to repaint green*
- d) *PS enquired what the plans were for Millstone Lane. MP advised we are consulting with Highways with a view to making it one-way. SM suggested making it Access Only. To be reviewed as part of full Traffic Calming review.*
- e) *PS advised there is still barbed wire across field at Hills & Holes. MP will discuss with Natural England.*
- f) *PS asked if the minutes of the Hills & Holes Village Forum could be made public. MP advised this forum is run and managed by Natural England. She will enquire.*
- g) *PS advised that donations to the Parish News magazine are down year on year. The Councillors discussed and agreed a donation of £150.00. See also item 6b below.*

5) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

- a) Speed restriction signs on gateways *The Clerk advised that the signs have been collected by Highways and we hope they will be installed soon.*
- b) Flagpole repairs *MP advised quotes received to repair are very high. We believe the problem may require a simple replacement of the halyard. Clerk to investigate further.*
- c) Overgrown footpath along the B1443. *Highways have advised this needs proper resurfacing and is not a simple cut-back. It is on their list.*
- d) Notice board refurbishment. *Contractors have been appointed to refurbish the small notice board on Main Street. This should be completed soon.*
- e) Funded pond conservation project. *This will be reviewed later in the year after the harvest.*
- f) Trees for publicly accessible land. *2 small oak trees have been offered by a resident at Little Northfields. MP has discussed options for placing some on the Burghley allotments, they are considering options. Some trees may go near the new Sports Court.*
- g) Graffiti. *The police have been made aware and are patrolling more frequently.*
- h) Youth Club equipment donation *Youth Club to request.*
- i) Strimming in village centre *Clerk advised PCC last month. Follow up again.*
- j) Containers in front garden on Bainton Road *This is with PCC Planning.*

6) CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NALC, CAPALC & PCC circulars. *Noted.*
- b) Anthony Henthorn, editor Village Tribune – changes to content, frequency, distribution and fees *The*

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Councillors felt that the Parish News magazine was more relevant to the village and that supporting the Tribune, which includes many ads and articles from further afield, would not be a good use of Barnack funds. Clerk to notify the Editor.

- c) PECT – heat pump survey *Clerk to circulate on social media.*
- d) Cheryl McRoyal – dog fouling near cemetery *Councillors did not feel that a camera was required. FS mentioned dog fouling on the new estate. Clerk to purchase signage and discuss where to put up with FS.*
- e) Cheryl McRoyal – cemetery brown bin misuse and arrangements for putting it out *IP volunteered to take on management*
- f) *of the brown bin.*
- g) PCC Code of Conduct adoption *Councillors agreed to adopt the new code circulated by PCC.*
- h) Police Patrols in Southey Woods – *police are patrolling the area to monitor and reduce anti-social behaviour*
- i) Complimentary tickets for Burghley Horse Trials - *two sets of tickets are to be sent to MP for distribution. It was decided to offer one set to the Community Association and for Councillors to send MP and the Clerk suggestions for other deserving individuals.*

7) PLANNING

New or revised applications:

- a) Update re 00998 enforcement (The Orchard, Uffington Road) *PCC Compliance team have written to the owners.*
- b) Mallard Pass Solar Farm *Councillors agreed to write a letter outlining their concerns. [OR was it just to endorse the points made in St.John's letter? Could I see a draft of your letter, please?]*
- c) 22/01031/CTR - Cross Roads Cottage, School Road, Barnack - Lawson Cypress Tree: Fell and remove *The Councillors support the Tree Officer suggestion that a TPO should be put on the cypress.*
- d) 22/01020/LBC – Pilsgate Lodges, Burghley Park – alterations to existing side extension and demolition of garage. *No objections.*
- e) 22/01079/FUL - Flints Lodge Farm Great North Road, Wittering: Conversion of 2no. agricultural barns to form 2no. dwelling houses with gardens and parking. *This farm is in Wittering parish but the access road will be in Barnack parish, off The Drift. Councillors have no objections to this access..*

Decisions since last meeting:

- a) 22/00767/CTR – Cross Roads Cottage, Remove cypress and conifers and replace with fruit tree. *Permitted.*
- b) 22/00699/LBC and 22/00698/HHFUL - Old Corner House Main Street Barnack - Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of new summer room to Grade II listed house. *Permitted.*
- c) 22/00409/HHFUL – 9 Orchard Road, Barnack, lowering of kerbside for off-road parking *Permitted.*
- d) 22/00751/HHFUL - 21 Paynes Field Barnack - Erection of single storey rear extension. *Permitted.*

Awaiting Decision:

- a) SK 22/0376 Land Off Kettering Road, Stamford, PE9 2JS - Erection of 4 detached dwellings and garaging, creation of access, and associated landscaping
- b) 22/00413/HHFUL and 00414 amendment – Kylemore Cottage, Uffington Road, Barnack – Demolition of conservatory and store, construction of extensions and other alterations (part retrospective) .
- c) 2/00658/HHFUL - 1 Allerton Close Barnack Stamford - Erection of a single storey extension to rear of garage for annexe accommodation (Withdrawn) . .
- d) 22/00615/FUL – The Vineyard Plant Nursery – Sewerage treatment plant. .
- e) 22/00691/LBC and 22/00690/HHFUL - Cross Roads Cottage School Road Barnack - Internal and external alterations to Cottage, alterations to single storey rear extension and side driveway. *Listed building consent re-consultation. No objections to the revised plans, which have taken account of the views of PCC Conservation Officer.*
- f) 22/00589/HHFUL - Laburnum Wittering Road Barnack - Proposed first floor side extension.

8) BURIAL GROUNDS

- a) Maintenance:

- i. on-going bench renovation. *Paul Dawson continues to refurbish the benches as time allows.*
 - ii. Tree works: dead cherry tree in the cemetery and trees overshadowing gardens in Little Northfield. *A new quote is due to include work on the beech trees.*
 - iii. Earth mound at north end IP has a contact and volunteered to get a quote to remove the earth.
- b) To approve Deed of Exclusive Right of Burial 869 Janet Lonslow *Approved.*. Burial of Arthur Lonslow took place on 26th July.

9) FINANCIAL

- a) To approve:
 - i. Monthly Finances, July 2022 *Approved.*
- b) To approve payment of the following outstanding accounts: *Approved.*
 - i. £308.95 Clerk pay and expenses for July 2022
 - ii. £72.00 Community Heartbeat Emergency phone annual rental
 - iii. £144.00 SLCC Clerk annual subscription 1.9.22 – 31.8.23
 - iv. £345.60 Scribe accounts annual subscription
 - v. £14.00 BJ's Printers
- c) To approve payments made since last meeting: *Approved.*
 - i. £15.98 Reimburse M Palmer compost for Jubilee Tree
 - ii. £585.00 Elwoods grass mowing
 - iii. £15.40 Npower electricity bill
 - iv. £1000.00 Barnack Community Association equipment purchase (approved 13.6.22 4g)
 - v. £61.76 HMRC
- d) To note monies received:
 - i. £950.00 Deed of Exclusive Right of Burial – Onslow
 - ii. £300.00 Interment Fee Kettleborough
 - iii. £24.39 – GC C1 *Sports Court annual fee – new booking system test membership*

10) REPORTS

- a) Barnack Ward Group. *Clerk will request funds to assist with either the benches or Youth Club equipment.*
- b) Parish Liaison Group. *50mph and 20mph speed limits in the rural areas were discussed. Councillors will consider as part of the Traffic Calming review.*
- c) JCC / Barnack Nature Recovery Plan. *The wildflower meadows at the cemetery and Little Northfields have now been cut back. Very little success at transferring rare wildflowers. The limestone mounds at Sissons Close are showing signs that species in the wildflower seed mix sown earlier in the year are becoming established.*
- d) Traffic Calming
 - i. Maintenance of existing VAS signage. *PCC have advised they will not support maintenance of the existing VAS signage. Clerk to check back in records to see what was previously promised.*
 - ii. New proposals – update on progress. *Arrangements for a crossing place on Walcot Road at the rear entrance to The Millstone have stalled. Consideration should be given to pushing for traffic speed surveys on Walcot, Wittering and Stamford Roads. Traffic Calming committee to convene separately in late September/October to discuss in depth.*
- e) Communications and website. *No issues reported.*
- f) Local Heritage List. *We await feedback from PCC.*
- g) Barnack Hills & Holes Village Forum. *Next meeting is in September.*

11) OTHER ITEMS

- a) Barnack Sports Pavilion – planning application revisions *New drawings and a Heritage Statement have been requested by Planning. Work to produce these is underway.*
- b) Barnack Sports Court - to discuss the following:
 - i. Handover from contractors and Opening Date. *The damage to the court has still not been repaired. Sophie Moore, chair of the Sports Court Committee is liaising with PCC. Until the surface has been*

fixed we will not complete handover.

- ii. Footpath to back gate and landscaping of area. *Scheduled for 17th August.*
- c) The Acres defibrillator – update re location and costs *No update.*
- d) Civic Awards 2022 *Clerk to recirculate email.*
- e) Casual vacancies. applicants to make a short presentation.
 - i. Andrew Taylor
 - ii. Frances Steele
 - iii. Stuart McCarey

All candidates made a short presentation. Councillors to review after the meeting.

12) HEALTH & SAFETY *None*

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 12th September 2022 7pm at the Village Hall.

Meeting finished at 9.05pm.

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