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**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Barton Seagrave Parish Council held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in the Conference Room at Barton Seagrave Village Hall.**

**PRESENT**      Councillors                      Sir D Gunn  
   Mrs D Miles-Zanger  
   Mr R Carter  
   Mrs C Carter  
   Mr R Roberts  
   Mr P Cox

Clerk:                                      Mr R Reed

Richard Adshead – Village Hall Operations Manager

PC 492 Mark Walker                      Part-meeting

There were eight residents in attendance.

**19/022 Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Cllr. Mrs Smith and KBC Cllr. Dutton

**19/023 Declarations of interest**

Cllr. Roberts declared an interest in respect of the East of Kettering development as his property overlooks an area submitted for planning permission and in respect of the Redrow site he declared an interest as a family members work for NHBC and Taylor Woodrow.

**19/024 Policing matters**

PC Walker discussed recent crime events, theft of high-end cars in the surrounding area due to key-cloning and motorcycle problems.

**19/025 Mr Derek Wade: Festival 900+**

Mr Wade spoke of the background to the Festival and the events planned for 2020. Cllr. Roberts is to see if KBC can be involved. The events are to be held throughout the year at various locations with the main period being April, May and June. It is hoped that the Village Hall can be used along with the Church and the school.

**19/026 Residents**

- (i) Recent survey work to the east of the lake at Wicksteed had given rise to concern over possible development proposals. Cllr. Roberts said that he had been approached over this and said that The Wicksteed Trust had no plans for development to our knowledge. It was agreed to contact Berrys for confirmation over the matter. **Action: Clerk**
- (ii) The bollards to deter parking were still outstanding.
- (iii) The Parish Council was thanked for getting direction signs for the Village Hall.
- (iv) The roadworks at the Barton Road/St Botolph's Road were causing visibility issues and had disturbed the bulbs planted by the WI some years ago. It was understood that the work was due to end in late March and if the bulbs had been lost then the WI intended replanting in the autumn.
- (v) The Clerk said that Stagecoach had not replied to his request for a meeting and that a further reminder had been sent.

**19/027 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Private Meeting Held on 10.01.19**

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Carter and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr R Carter and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger that the minutes of the private session held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

**19/028 Matters Arising**

- (i) The Clerk gave a report of the recent meeting with Highways. Arrangements will be made for "KEEP CLEAR" to be painted at the junction of Linnet Drive and Barton Road and signs will be erected on the Polwell Lane cycle path.
- (ii) An agreement had been entered into with Curtis Website Design for the construction of the Parish Council website.

(iii) A quote had been received from Westcotec for a VAS. The company does not manufacture portable solar powered units.

(iv) Cllr. Gunn had spoken to Burton Latimer about the bus shelter in Polwell Lane and the suggestion of a joint project. Burton Latimer unhappy with 50/50 arrangement but Cllr. Gunn said it would go ahead anyway and he was seeking quotes. **Action: DG**

(v) The Clerk spoke of his discussions with KBC over possible boundary changes. It was agreed to await the changes associated with the formation of the new unitary authorities when the Parish Council would be consulted.

(vi) No response had been received from Anglian Water about the cutting down of the gate and fence in the Pocket Park and the Clerk had sent a reminder.

#### **19/029 East Kettering update.**

It was noted that construction works were no progressing well.

#### **19/030 Rights of Way**

There was nothing to report under this item.

#### **19/031 Pocket Park**

The Clerk, Chairman and Cllr. Roberts, along with Nick Bowman of Berrys, are due to meet Mr Smith on 19<sup>th</sup> February to discuss the question of the trees and other Pocket Park matters. The intention is to re-establish the Pocket Park Sub-group soon and Cllr. Roberts suggested consideration be given to a planting plan.

#### **19/032 Village Hall**

Richard Adshead gave his report for January and spoke of forthcoming events. A number of new clubs were joining over the next few months. A recent visit by the Fire Brigade did not identify any issues.

#### **19/033 Casual Vacancies**

In addition to the outstanding vacancy created by the resignation of Bryan Lade, Mrs Jan Smith had also tendered her resignation. The Clerk said that the Secretary of State's ruling over the next elections was still awaited before it was confirmed that the latest vacancy could be filled by co-option or that it would have to be advertised. The Clerk was liaising with KBC and would take action once more was known. **Action: Clerk**

#### **19/034 Pathfinder Flood Investigation Scheme**

Cllr. Carter is to resend the report to councillors. It was agreed to defer this item to the April meeting. **Action: RC/Clerk**

#### **19/035 Planning Report**

The Chairman presented the Planning Report of the Planning Sub-group:

KET/2019/0021: 101 Polwell Lane. Creation of first floor to provide habitable accommodation and single storey rear extension with detached garage and games room. No objections.

KET/2018/0977: 19 Bedford Close. Single storey rear extension replacement front porch.

Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation, additional front and rear dormer windows. No objections.

KET/2018/0976: 156 Polwell Lane. Two storey side extension. No objections.

In addition, the following application was considered at the meeting: KET/2019/0081: 116

Gotch Road. First floor side extension. No objections.

Details of notices of approval and refusal were presented.

A further letter had been received from Isham Parish council regarding DB Symmetry application. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not get involved in this matter.

#### **19/036 Councillors' Reports**

Cllr. Roberts spoke of a Government grant that had been awarded to the North Northants joint Planning Unit to enable it to continue its operation and progress projects.

KBC would be presenting its budget to the full council on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

The Open Space survey was discussed.

#### **19/037 Correspondence**

As per circulated list.

#### **19/038 Accounts**

(i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts. Since the last meeting £1,472.71 had been received from VH income and £1015 from Elm Homes as a donation for the purchase of the defibrillator and cabinet.

(ii) The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report to the end of January.

(iii) The following invoices were approved for payment, proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger:

Mrs Dianne Miles £156.56 Cheque No. 528  
A Baillie (Hygiene) & Co. £33.12 Cheque No.529  
Staff costs £3417.86 Cheque No. 530  
Mr R Adshead £71.78 Cheque No. 531  
Carter SBM Ltd. £41.54 Cheque No. 532  
CEF (Kettering) £155.92 Cheque No. 533

- (iv) The Internal Auditor, Ian Arnott, had written to say that his fees would be increasing from £110 to £150. This was the first increase in five years and also acknowledges the extra work generated by the Village Hall. It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Carter that the increase be approved.

**19/039 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda**

There were no items.

**19/040 Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 to be held in the Village Hall.

As there was no further urgent business the Chairman closed the public part of the meeting at 8:28pm