

**DRAFT**

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

**PRESENT**      Councillors                      Sir D Gunn  
   Mr R Carter  
   Mrs C Carter  
   Mr R Roberts  
   Mr K Underwood                      (part meeting)

Clerk:                                      Mr R Reed

Richard Adshead – Village Hall Operations Manager

There were twelve residents in attendance.

*In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Cllr. Mrs Carter took the Chair.*

**19/040 Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger, KBC Cllr. Dutton and the Police. Cllr. Gunn had been delayed and would arrive later.

**19/041 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.

**19/042 Policing matters**

In the absence of a Police representative, the Clerk presented the report which had previously been circulated to councillors. It was noted that there were no specific crime trends in Barton Seagrave.

**19/043 Residents**

(i)            It was reported that a parking bay on Polwell Lane just north of the A14 was being taken over by a nearby resident who was telling others not to park there. It was agreed to notify the Police. **Action: Clerk**

(ii)           Two vans are regularly being parked in Linnet Drive near the junction with Barton Road creating an obstruction for vehicles turning off the main road. It was agreed to notify the Police. **Action: Clerk**

(iii)          Cllr. Roberts answered queries about the proposed unitary authorities.

(iv)          The Clerk updated the meeting about concerns raised at the last meeting in respect of survey work at Wicksteed Park. Assurances had been received from The Wicksteed Trust that this work was not for the purpose of development. This had been conveyed to the resident who raised the matter.

**19/044 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Private Meeting Held on 14.02.19**

It was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. R Carter that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 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 Roberts and seconded by Cllr. R Carter that the minutes of the private session held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

**19/045 Matters Arising**

The Clerk reported on progress with the new website. Photographs of the village are need as soon as possible for the Home page and gallery. **Action: All**

**19/046 East Kettering update.**

Cllr. Roberts gave an update on progress and timetable.

*7:15pm Cllr. Gunn arrived*

The next Liaison Forum would be held at 6:00pm Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at KBC's Committee Room. Members of the public are able to attend.

**19/047 Rights of Way**

There was nothing to report under this item.

#### **19/048 Pocket Park**

The Clerk spoke of the meeting held last month with Mr Smith to discuss the trees and the wider issues of the Pocket Park. Mr Smith has secured contributions for the felling of the trees in question together with approvals from residents and the work was due to commence on 28<sup>th</sup> March.

It was agreed to reform the Pocket Park Sub-group as soon as possible. Cllrs. Roberts and Mr and Mrs Carter are to be the Parish Council representatives with Mr Smith and Mr John Barnes as residents' representatives. Nick Bowman of Berrys had also expressed a wish to be involved. The Clerk is to arrange the inaugural meeting in due course. **Action: Clerk**

It was noted that grants were available for Pocket Parks and the Clerk will look into this.

**Action: Clerk** *Subsequent note: Applications closed on 25.01.19*

#### **19/049 Village Hall**

Richard Adshead gave his report for February. The defibrillator is now in place and operational. 1370 kg of clothing has been deposited in the Salvation Army bin.

#### **19/050 Casual Vacancies**

Cllr. R Carter nominated Mr Kenneth Underwood to be co-opted to take the original vacancy. This was seconded by Cllr. Roberts and Mr Underwood was duly elected and welcomed to the Parish Council. Following completion of his declaration of acceptance, he took his seat on the council.

The second vacancy is still subject to the period when residents can request an election. This ends on 20<sup>th</sup> March and if there are fewer than ten requests then the council can co-opt to fill the vacancy.

#### **19/051 Annual Litter pick**

It was agreed to arrange the litter pick for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 9:00am at The Stirrup Cup. Details are to be posted on Facebook and Mr Adshead would post details on Barton Seagrave Community Page.

30 sets of equipment are to be requested from KBC to be delivered to the Village Hall.

**Action: Clerk**

#### **19/052 Planning Report**

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

Only one application had been received and this was determined at this meeting.

KET/2019/0122: 2 No. dwellings, 254 Barton Road (Land adjacent). It was agreed to object to the proposal as the access is currently too close to a major junction. **Action: DG**

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.

#### **19/053 Councillors' Reports**

Cllr. R Carter said that NCC is to erect speed restriction signs on Polwell Lane.

There were concerns over the safe-keeping of the Village Sign with the adjacent roadworks.

The situation was being monitored and any damage would be remedied by the contractors.

The quote for the VAS posts was still awaited from NCC. The quote for the sign was valid until May.

Cllr. Gunn was waiting contact with VAT officials over the council's position. **Action: DG**

#### **19/054 Correspondence**

As per circulated list. It was noted that a temporary closure of Newton Road was scheduled for water pipe work.

#### **19/055 Accounts**

- (i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts. Since the last meeting £17,618.05 had been received from VH income and Nursery rent.
- (ii) The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report to the end of February.
- (iii) The following invoices were approved for payment, proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. R Carter:

Northamptonshire ACRE £35.00 Cheque No. 534

Staff costs £3877.54 Cheque No. 535

HMRC PAYE £290.60 Cheque No. 536

R Reed £1309.98 Cheque No. 537

KBC Trade refuse collection £93.28 Cheque No. 538

- (iv) There was no other financial business.

**19/056 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda**

Next agenda: Pathfinder Flood Investigation Scheme.

**19/057 Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 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 7:40pm