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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Barton Seagrave Parish Council held on Thursday 9th January 2020 in the Café Lounge at Barton Seagrave Village Hall

PRESENT	Councillors	Sir D Gunn	Chairman
		Mr R Carter	
		Mrs C Carter	
		Mr R Roberts	
		Mr H Howes	
		Mrs D Miles Zanger	
		Mr P Cox	

Clerk: Mr R Reed

Richard Adshead – Village Hall Operations Manager

There were six residents in attendance.

The Chairman welcomed all to the first meeting of 2020 and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

20/001 Apologies

PS 1242 Ken Brown, Northamptonshire Police.

20/002 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.

20/003 Policing matters

The Clerk had previously circulated the latest crime report and presented Sgt. Brown's report on the current Policing situation.

Councillors were appreciative of the actions of KBC in removing the graffiti from the bus shelter opposite the Green.

20/004 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Private Meeting Held on 05.12.19

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Carter that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Private Meeting held on 5th December 2019, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

20/005 Matters Arising

The Clerk had contacted NCC Cllr. Scott Edwards regarding the safety audit of Barton Road but had not yet received a response.

20/006 East Kettering update.

Cllr. Gun spoke of the latest Hammond Park application.

20/007 Rights of Way

The Clerk had received a report from a resident via Cllr Cox regarding flooding on HL9 to the south of Gotch Road. This had been identified as a water supply leak and which was subsequently repaired by Anglia Water on 23rd December.

20/008 Village Hall

Mr Adshead presented his report previously circulated to councillors. A large number of residents had visited the Village Hall on 12th December to vote in the General Election, many of whom had not been to the hall previously. Three new clubs are starting their activities at the Hall in the next month or two.

20/009 Pocket Park

Cllr. Mrs Carter said that no meeting of the Pocket Park Sub-group had been held due to Christmas and the New Year but she would present a report at the next meeting. **Action: CC**

20/010 Bus Shelter

Mr Shelley had asked to speak on this item. Although the shelter was now in place there were still issues that required attention, namely the installation of the seats, the infilling of the lower panels and the provision of the link footpath. There was still the matter of the grass strip and consideration is to be given to overcoming this problem. **Action: All/Clerk**

The Clerk had notified the insurers about the commissioning of the shelter and this has been added to the inventory although no additional premium will be due until the policy renewal in July.

20/011 To approve the 2020/2021 Budget

The Clerk had circulated an updated budget following last month's meeting. To enable an allocation of funds to be determined for the budget, Cllr. R Carter had prepared estimates for the redecoration of the Hall and on this basis it was agreed to increase the allocation for the Village Hall maintenance to £7,500. It was proposed by Cllr. Gunn and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger to approve the budget for 2020/21 as amended. Agreed unanimously. **Action: Clerk**

20/012 To approve the 2020/21 Precept

It was proposed by Cllr. Gunn and seconded by Cllr. R Carter to retain the precept at £70,000. Agreed unanimously. **Action: Clerk**

20/013 Planning Report

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

The following applications were considered as follows:

KET/2019/0879: s.73 Retrospective Application. Change of use of the land from public amenity to private garden and fencing. Cllr. Gunn is to speak to the case officer about this application but it was agreed to object to the development. **Action: DG**

KET/2019/0907 Rectory Cottage, St Botolph's Road, Barton Seagrave. Application for Listed Building Consent: Replace 5 no. windows, renovate 3 no. windows and replace single glazing with slimline double glazing. No objections.

Various decision notices were discussed.

The Clerk had received a paper copy of the Local Plan Consultation document, specific to Barton Seagrave which he passed to the Chairman.

20/014 Councillors' Reports

Cllr. Roberts discussed the introduction of Decriminalised Parking in Kettering, the kerbside services arrangements with Corby BC, KBC's 2020/21 budget and the unitary authorities timetable.

Cllr. Gunn spoke of the attendance of himself and Cllr. Roberts at the opening of the new sports hall at the Latimer Arts College prior to Christmas.

20/015 Correspondence

As per circulated list.

20/016 Residents Queries and Comments

(i) The area around the village sign had been tidied for which the council showed its appreciation.

(ii) The potholes in Linnet Drive have been marked up but not yet attended to. Cllr. Roberts said he would check the situation. **Action: RRo**

(iii) Regarding the work at the junction of St. Botolph's Road and Barton Road. It was confirmed that this would recommence after the completion of the work at Warkton Lane junction.

(iv) It was stated that Belvoir Drive had not been resurfaced for at least 50 years. Cllr. Roberts said that he would see if there were any proposals and also check over localised flooding. **Action: RRo**

(v) Regarding parking on highway verges, the Clerk said that the proposed law to make this an offence was never enacted and it is not unlawful.

20/017 Accounts

(i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts. Since the last meeting £7,227.64 had been received from VH income.

(ii) The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report.

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

RMC Builders Ltd £2,954.02 Cheque No. 596

SE Gunn £480.00 Cheque No. 597

Northamptonshire ACRE £35.00 Cheque No. 598

Mrs D Miles £136.74 Cheque No. 599

R Adshead £151.98 Cheque No. 600

Staff costs £2,959.23 Cheque No. 601

(iv) The Clerk gave details of KBC's Budget Consultation meeting.

20/018 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda

Cllr. Gunn spoke of the need for additional PIR lighting to the rear of the Hall. It was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr R Carter that this be arranged. **Action: RA**

20/019 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 13th February 2020 commencing at 7:00pm in the Village Hall.

As there was no further urgent business the Chairman closed the public part of the meeting at 8:25pm