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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Barton Seagrave Parish Council held on Thursday 11th February 2021 remotely via Zoom.

PRESENT Councillors Mrs D Miles Zanger Chairman

Mr R Carter Mrs C Carter Mr C Skinner Mr R Roberts Mr S Edwards Mr H Howes

Clerk: Mr R Reed

KBC Cllr. Ms. J O'Hara Part meeting

There were no residents in attendance

21/020 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Mr R Adshead

21/021 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations on agenda items.

21/022 Policing matters

The Clerk had circulated the Police report to the Forums. A letter had been received from the Chief Constable and the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner setting out the new focus on local policing in Northamptonshire, a copy of which, together with a booklet on the proposals had been circulated to councillors.

21/023 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Held on 14.01.21

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger and seconded by Cllr. R Carter that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14th January 2021, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

The minutes will be signed retrospectively at the resumption of face to face meetings.

21/024 Matters Arising

The Community Governor of Barton Seagrave Primary School had contacted the Clerk to say that they hoped to set up a working party to decide the future use and management of the old BT telephone kiosk. Cllr. Mrs Carter said that she would be happy to join the group. **Action: Clerk**

The older bus shelter in Polwell Lane has been vandalised with glass panels smashed and Perspex sections cracked. The broken glass has been cleared promptly by KBC and Cllr. Carter has arrangements for the replacement section in hand. **Action: RC**

Regarding the removal of graffiti from the road signs in Grosvenor Way, Cllr. Carter is waiting for cleaning materials. **Action: RC**

21/025 East Kettering update.

Cllr. Roberts spoke of progress and the uptake of plots for development.

21/026 Rights of Way

Following the recent very wet weather, unpaved rights of way had become very muddy. A number of paths required the cutting back of vegetation.

21/027 Village Hall

There was no report from the Village Hall.

21/028 Pocket Park

Cllr. Mrs Carter presented her report. The Priority 1 tree work has now been completed as agreed with the Wicksteed Charity Trust. The new lease was discussed and it was agreed to ask the Trust to prepare the initial draft for the PC's consideration. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. Mrs Carter said that the order should be placed for the Priority 2 tree work and the Clerk is to contact Nick Bowman to seek the Trust's agreement. **Action: Clerk**

As with the RoW, the paths through the park are in a poor condition following the inclement weather. Cllr R Carter is to get a quote for some restoration work to the worst sections and also fencing at the HL1 end. **Action: RC**

21/029 Unitary Authorities

The arrangements are progressing towards the start of the new authority on 1st April. The Clerk had circulated details of the Highways Procurement process.

21/030 Planning Report

Cllr, R Carter presented the report of the Planning Sub-group as follows:

KET/2020/0883: 28 Manor Road. Single and two storey rear extension. No objections.

KET/2020/0904: 10 Cottesmore Ave. Single storey side and rear extension. No objections.

KET/2020/0910: 76 Gotch Road. Single and two storey rear extension. No objections.

The complaint regarding the Vets at 89 Polwell Lane was discussed. It is understood that KBC's Development Control is looking into the situation over 24 hour cover.

21/031 Councillors' Reports

Cllr. R Carter was pleased to advise that the new bus shelter in Polwell Lane had now been installed and welcomed by the residents. Cllr. Roberts complimented Cllr. R Carter over getting this matter resolved.

21/032 Correspondence

As per circulated list.

A complaint had been received by Cllr. Roberts about the hazards of the new dog-leg junction on Cranford Road. It is understood that Highways have contacted the person concerned and are looking at the layout of the junction.

Following circulation to councillors, the Clerk had written to Highways supporting the proposed extension of the 30mph speed restriction in Cranford Road.

A request had been received for an additional grit bin along Belvoir Drive. As the location does not meet NCC's criteria, this would have to be provided by the Parish Council. The Clerk is to obtain costs of the supply and installation of a new bin. **Action: Clerk**

The condition of the footways in Belvoir Drive had been reported. The Clerk is to notify NCC. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr Roberts said that he still has some Ward Initiative funds to be spent by the end of March.

Residents' time has been temporarily suspended during the present crisis and a notice placed on the agendas and the website asking residents to contact the Clerk with any queries.

21/033 Accounts

- (i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts and the budget monitoring report. Receipts since the last meeting included £2072.65 from VH income including that from the Salvation Army clothing bank.
- (ii) The following invoices were approved for payment, proposed by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger and seconded by Cllr. Mrs C Carter:

Retrospective

28.01.21 S Garrett Harvey (Grit bins) £182.59 Cheque No. 683

Staff costs £1600.00 Cheque No. 676 Mr G Howard £715.00 Cheque No. 684

(iii) There was no further financial business

21/034 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda

It was agreed to prepare a notice regarding the forthcoming elections for the website. **Action:** Clerk

21/035 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 11th March 2021 commencing at 7:00pm via the Zoom platform As there was no further urgent business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:40pm

Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger invited Cllr. Ms. O'Hara to speak.

Cllr. Ms. O'Hara left at 7:45pm

Cllrs. discussed the new arrangements for Mr Adshead pending the reopening of the Village Hall.

The quotations for the air-conditioning were considered for discussion at the next meeting. Action: RC/Clerk

The condition of the bollards outside the hall were giving cause for concern and are to be checked.

The Chairman closed this session at 7:51pm