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

PRESENT	Councillors	Mrs D Miles Zanger	Chairman
		Mr R Carter	
		Mr C Skinner	
		Mr R Roberts	
		Mr S Edwards	

Clerk:	Mr R Reed
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Mr R Adshead

There were no residents in attendance

21/036 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Mrs Carter and Cllr. Howes (Notified later)

21/037 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations on agenda items.

21/038 Policing matters

The Clerk had circulated the Police report. Cllr. Roberts asked for Ken Brown's e-mail address. **Action: Clerk**

21/039 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Held on 11.02.21

It was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. R Carter that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11th February 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.

21/040 Matters Arising

The Community Governor of Barton Seagrave Primary School had welcomed the support of the Parish Council regarding the future use of the telephone kiosk in Polwell Lane.

NCC does not supply and install PC owned grit bins, even on a rechargeable basis so the Clerk had invited quotes. One had been received for the installation of two grit bins at a cost of £250.00+VAT each. **Action: Clerk**

The condition of Belvoir Drive footways had been reported to NCC.

21/041 East Kettering update.

Cllr. Roberts spoke of progress and said that the resurfacing work at the junction of Barton Road and St. Botolph's Road was now being undertaken.

21/042 Rights of Way

The Clerk had received an e-mail from Danny Moody regarding dual status highways created when RoW are diverted onto new highways, the Redrow site in this case. There are concerns that where the RoW are removed some routes through alleyways would be lost. The clerk is to look further into this situation with regards to Barton Seagrave. **Action: Clerk**

21/043 Village Hall

Mr Adshead presented his report which had previously been circulated to councillors. The hall would be reopening in accordance with Government guidelines. Following advice from NALC, it was agreed to bring the Annual Parish Meeting forward to April when it would precede the next meeting. **Action: Clerk**

21/044 Pocket Park

Cllr. R Carter presented an update. The Priority 2 tree work has now been ordered following agreement with the Wicksteed Charity Trust. The Clerk had requested a draft lease from the Trust.

21/045 Unitary Authorities

Cllr. Roberts said that things were progressing towards 1st April and he acknowledged the work of the existing borough and district councillors and their staff in getting things organised.

21/046 Planning Report

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

No applications had been received for comment since the last meeting.

Details of permissions granted by KBC were reported.

21/047 Councillors' Reports

Cllr. R Carter reported that the vandalised glazing in the bus shelters had been replaced, the new VAS was in the process of being commissioned and two of the new notice boards should be in place by the end of the month. There are concerns about access to the notice board outside Budgens which is frequently obstructed by portable signs, shopping trollies, etc. A letter is to be sent to Budgens asking for the area to be kept clear so that residents can read the notices. **Action: Clerk**

21/048 Correspondence

As per circulated list.

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.

21/049 Accounts

- (i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts and the budget monitoring report. Receipts since the last meeting included £120.00 from VH income and £32.25 from the Salvation Army clothing bank.
- (ii) The following invoices were approved for payment, proposed by Cllr. Edwards and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Miles Zanger:

A Baillie (Hygiene) & Co. £165.00 Cheque No. 685
Make Woodworking Ltd. £1550.00 Cheque No. 686
Cheque No. 687 Void
JH Glass Ltd £984.80 Cheque No. 688
Carter SBM Ltd. £40.74 Cheque No. 689
HMRC £535.96 Cheque No. 690
R Reed £2036.00 Cheque No. 691

- (iii) There was no further financial business

21/050 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda

There was nothing at this time.

21/051 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 8th April 2021 immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting via the Zoom platform

As there was no further urgent business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:29pm

Cllrs. discussed the quotations that had been received for the installation of air conditioning in the Village Hall. It was proposed by Cllr. Skinner and seconded by Cllr. Edwards to award the work to A2E Services Ltd of Northampton as their proposal was considered to offer the best equipment as regards reliability and value for money. It is anticipated that the installation will be complete by Easter and before the easing of restrictions allow the hall to reopen. The Clerk is to place the order with A2E Services Ltd. **Action: Clerk**

The draft Contract of Employment had been received from Lamb and Holmes and circulated to councillors. It was agreed to delete the second sentence in Clause 28 and to add a disciplinary Clause setting out the procedure to be followed. **Action: Clerk**

The Chairman closed this session at 7:50pm