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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Barton Seagrave Parish Council held on Thursday 8th June 2023 at Barton Seagrave Village Hall.

PRESENT Councillors Mrs. Miles-Zanger Chairman

Mr R Carter
Mr S Edwards
Mrs C Carter
Mr J Currall

Clerk: Mr R Reed

Mr R Adshead

There were sixteen members of the public in attendance.

23/095 Apologies

Cllrs. Skinner, Roberts. Cllr. Dutton had tendered his resignation on 5th June 2023

23/096 Barton Seagrave Residents

The Chair announced that agenda item 15 had been moved forward due to the interest in the proposed development at Big Spinney and the cricket field. She explained the process for planning applications and that North Northamptonshire Council would make the final decision over approval or refusal of the application. The Parish Council can comment on the application but could not do so until it had been received. The consultants who held the exhibition had been asked to submit a break-down of comments received for this meeting but it was not yet available.

Cllr S Edwards, also an NNC councillor, said that councillors would fight the residents' corner over this issue.

Cllrs R Carter and J Currall stated that they were also NNC councillors. Cllr Currall said that he opposes the proposal.

The Parish Council acknowledged the importance of this green space to the village.

The Parish Council intends to develop a Neighbourhood Plan but the process takes a number of years and would not be in place for the determination of this application.

It was confirmed that there was no one representing the developer at the meeting.

It was considered that a further 69 dwellings were unnecessary given the Kettering East development.

The pipes recently laid through the cricket field were not connected with the development but were to avoid inconvenience and disturbance of Barton Road.

The Parish Council was not aware, nor would it be advised of, a pre-planning application which would have been dealt with by NNC's planning officer assigned to the case.

It was alleged that the Parish Council had defined the limits of the traffic study. Cllr. Edwards said that this was definitely not the case.

Ms Jan O'Hara, who sits on the NNC Planning Committee as a substitute member gave further clarification of the situation and confirmed that the pipes in the cricket field were for Hanwood Park although it was possible that connections into them could be made if this development goes ahead

The Chair drew this item to a close and said that once an application had been received, the Parish Council would discuss the matter and then convene a public meeting where residents would be invited to put forward their comments following which the Parish Council would submit its comments to NNC. **Action: All**

23/097 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations on agenda items.

23/098 Policing matters

There were no officers in attendance. The Clerk had circulated the latest report.

23/099 Minutes of the Annual Meeting Held on 11.05.23

It was proposed by Cllr. R Carter and seconded by Cllr. Mrs C Carter that the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 11th May 2023, having previously been circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

23/100 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Held on 11.05.23

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23/101 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising that were not covered by agenda items.

23/102 Rights of Way

There were no reports of issues at this time.

23/103 Village Hall

Mr Adshead's report had been circulated.

Mr Adshead is dealing with the alarm callout arrangements. Action: RA

23/104 Pocket Park

Cllr. Mrs Carter gave an update about recent works.

23/105 Climate and Biodiversity Working Party

Cllr. R Carter said that he would like to express his appreciation to Mr Andrew Dutton for his work on this subject. He discussed proposals for the bank at the rear of the Village Hall and also spoke of the mapping of green areas in the village.

23/106 Planning Report

Councillors considered application NK/2023/0298: Change of use of 89A Polwell Lane to extend veterinary practice at 89 Polwell Lane. There were no objections. **Action: Clerk**

23/107 Councillors' Reports

Cllr. Edwards said he has been carrying out a review of highways, identifying defects and reporting them to NNC. Concerns over grass cutting and the condition of footways have also been brought to the attention of NNC.

23/108 Correspondence

As per circulated list.

23/109 Accounts

- (i) The Clerk presented the latest statement of accounts correct to the end of May. Since the last meeting receipts comprised £4758.07 VH income and Salvation Army £83.91.
- (ii) The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report.
- (iii) The following invoices were approved for payment, proposed by Cllr Mrs D Miles and seconded by Cllr. J Currall.

Retrospective

19.05.23 M M Morris £2.70 OLT

25.05.23 C Skinner £62.00 OLT

25.05.23 Recognition Express £127.01 OLT

25.05.23 Recognition Express £19.80 OLT

02.06.23 Staff costs £2,448.64 OLT

02.06.23 HMRC £737.36 OLT

S Edwards £72.75 OLT Clean4Sure Ltd. £674.16 OLT

R Reed £2,224.65 Cheque No. 755

HMRC £544.00 OLT

Initial £26.52 OLT

Booker Ltd Debit card receipt £275.93

Booker Ltd Debit card receipt £325.57

NNC £180.00 OLT

Make Woodworking Ltd £204.00OLT

(iv) The Clerk had submitted the annual audit documentation to the external auditors. NNC had given notification of a 10% increase in the trade waste collection charge.

23/110 Items Requiring Urgent Attention, for Information or for the Next Agenda

Cllr. Edwards wished to record his appreciation for the work carried out by Andrew Dutton during his term of office.

The filling of the vacancy will be by the usual process in due course.

23/111 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 13th July 2022 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 8:00pm