

MINUTES

BARLOW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday 27th February 2024 7pm Barlow Village Hall

Attendees: Cllr T Thrall (Chair), Cllr D Spofford, Cllr P Boyes, Cllr O Edmunds, Cllr C Fenteman, Cllr A Banks, Cllr M Donoghue
County Cllr M Crane, 3x residents

022401 Welcome

The chairman welcomed all to the meeting

022402 Public Forum

To receive comments from members of the public – nothing which is not covered by the agenda

022403 Apologies

No apologies

022404 Approval of minutes

The council resolved to accept the minutes of the 30th January 2023 meeting as a true and accurate record. The vice-chair signed the minutes

022405 To receive reports, for information only, from:

- a) Chairman – has been approached about recent A1041 incidents by concerned residents.
- b) County Councillor – 5% council tax increase has been agreed, Selby increases will be higher due to levelling up with other districts. Cllr Crane highlighted that a new planning application has been submitted which falls in the Camblesforth area but may affect Barlow. Cllr Crane has raised safety concerns on the A1041 with highways again following the recent incidents, will feedback to the parish council.
- c) Village Hall Committee – Bookings clerk has resigned, following feedback the role has been into a bookings clerk and a maintenance person. The roof has leaked in the recent rain and is scheduled for re-sealing, full replacement of the roof may need to be considered.

022406 Planning

- a) To consider and decide upon the following planning applications:

None

- b) To receive and note the following planning decision/information:

ZG2023/1282/TPO Ash Spring View, Park Lane - Granted

Remove the 90 degree horizontal turn of the trunk to 1 No Ash tree protected by TPO No 11/1985

022407 Matters requested by councillors:

- a) To agree actions relating to the completion and maintenance of the pump track/play area
Recent flooring repair was cancelled due to weather conditions and will be rebooked. Pump track drainage to be arranged when ground conditions improve.

- b) To agree actions relating to the redevelopment of land at Carr Lane
The working group are planning to commence works on the pond in April, currently scheduling plant / labour
Parish council to consider any required tree maintenance. Clerk to circulate TPO maps
The council resolved to ask the village gardener to cut back the overgrowth bordering Park Avenue.

- c) Update on grass cutting contract 2024
The council resolved to proceed with Ark Facilities grass cutting contract subject to confirmation that strimming around the pump track is included in the quoted price.

- d) Letters to residents regarding Drax BECCS project
Resident in attendance received the letters and raised concerns with Drax, all concerns were resolved by Drax. Drax confirmed that the letters were a legal requirement. Resident confirmed the mitigation area near to Barlow is an area to be used to offset the environmental impact of the project. The area includes a section of Park Lane, residents of Forest Grove have access rights over this land.

022408 Correspondence received:

To receive information on the following new correspondence and decide further action where necessary:

- Cllr Spofford received a complaint about inconsiderate parking and liaised with residents about the issue. The Parish Council have no powers to enforce any parking issues.
- Concerns were raised on Facebook regarding A1041 road safety. This was discussed earlier in the meeting and Cllr Edmunds will respond
- Cllr Fenteman highlighted an overflowing ditch on Barlow Common Road. Clerk will report to highways.

022409 Financial matters

To report on closing balances, payments, and other financial/statutory matters

- a) The council resolved to accept the RFO report
- b) The council approved payment of invoices via online banking
- c) The council resolved to accept the proposed budget

022410 Councillors Forum

To take any points from councillors. For information only, no decisions to be made

022411 Items for the next agenda

To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

- Annual parish meeting date confirmation
- Camblesforth planning application

022412 Public forum

To receive any further comments from members of the public. For information only, no decisions to be made - none

022413 Confirmation of next meeting

Tuesday 26th March 2024, 7pm

022414 Closure of meeting

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