

# MINUTES

## BARLOW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024 7pm Barlow Village Hall

Attendees: Cllr Thrall (Chairman), Cllr Banks, Cllr Spofford, Cllr Donoghue, Cllr Boyes, 4x residents

### 102401 Welcome

The chairman welcomed all to the meeting

### 102402 Public Forum

To receive comments from members of the public – none raised

### 102403 Apologies

Apologies and reasons for absence were received from Cllr Edmunds, Cllr Fenteman, County Cllr Crane and the clerk.

### 102404 Approval of minutes

The council resolved to accept the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 meeting as a true and accurate record  
Clerk to bring copy to next meeting for signing.

### 102405 To receive reports, for information only, from:

- a) Chairman – signed off the park repairs
- b) Burial Authority – struggling to cut trees back
- c) Village Hall Committee – some improvements now complete – new flooring, doors refitted and drainage repaired
- d) YLCA – Cllr Thrall attended recent meeting, nothing to report.

### 102406 Planning

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

#### NY/2024/0159/ENV Barlow Ash Mound

Extraction and export of pulverised fuel ash and furnace bottom ash from Barlow Ash Mound in two phases and associated facilities including a weighbridge, wheel wash facilities, screening and processing plant, lighting columns, landscaping and site restoration

The council have no objections to this proposal.

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

#### None

- c) Other planning matters

Cllr Banks raised the matter of a third solar farm near the A1041. Cllr Thrall will reach out to County Cllr Crane

### 102407 Matters requested by councillors:

- a) To agree actions relating to the completion and maintenance of the pump track/play area – Cllr Thrall signed off the works
- b) To agree actions relating to the redevelopment of land at Carr Lane – Hedges have been planted, pond is filling up with rainwater, new signage arriving 4<sup>th</sup> October. The working group are low on volunteers, the school has cancelled the planned bulb planting.
- c) Christmas Tree – clerk to update the council with the plans. Cllr Banks suggested the purchase of a planted tree, rather than purchased a new display tree each year

### 102408 Wildlife garden tree preservation orders

Wildlife garden group raised the issue of a dead tree on Park Lane, asking the council if there is a TPO on the tree. Clerk to investigate. Cllr Donoghue advised there is a TPO tracker online.

### 1002409 Heritage Group Request

To discuss request for £550 funding from Barlow Village Heritage Group

The original request for a projector and screen is no longer required, the heritage group have now requested some funds towards the production of a book detailing the history of Barlow. The intention would be to sell hard copy and online versions. The quotes for producing 100 copies are £674 - £770 for A4 and £525 - £528 for A5.

The council resolved unanimously to not provide a donation, unless other funding options have been explored by the group and have been unsuccessful.

### 102410 Correspondence received:

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

- North Yorkshire Council – Let’s Talk Money is our annual statutory budget consultation live from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. [www.northyorks.gov.uk/LetsTalk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/LetsTalk)
- North Yorkshire Council is consulting on an application for the designation of a neighbourhood plan forum and a neighbourhood plan area for Harrogate <https://northyorks-consult.objective.co.uk/kpse/event/B14EEEB7-4A68-4E5B-A3EB-AFDE8997A517>
- Village orderly feedback on dog waste in village refuse bins
- Highways parish council workshops offered – Cllr Spofford attended virtual workshop and raised the A1041 junction concerns. Meeting notes will be shared once available.
- Highways 20mph consultation NY/7/TROBARLOW/SP/JS – responded in support
- North Yorkshire sandbags - North Yorkshire Council is simplifying its approach to supporting communities who need access to sandbags during a flood incident. The offer that was available to communities from the previous District and Borough councils was inconsistent, so this has been updated to ensure there is a single offer across North Yorkshire. To request use <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/environment-and-neighbourhoods/flooding/request-sandbags> or call 0300 131 2 131

### 102411 Financial matters

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

- a) The council resolved to accept the RFO report

### Barlow Parish Council Financial Report: October 2024

#### Savings account:

Balance as at 12<sup>th</sup> October 2024                      £931.82                      Statement 217

#### Community Account:

Balance as at 12<sup>th</sup> October 2024                      £32,209.66                      Statement 500

**Total**    **£33,141.48**

#### Income received since last meeting:

Precept £10,282.29

#### Payments made since last meeting:

Bank charges    £5.00

#### Payments to approve at this meeting:

Clerk Salary September    £376.52

Cllr Thrall – expenses – poppies    £49.99

MD Woodrow drainage repair    £99.98

**TOTAL**    **£526.49**

#### Budget position: As at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024

Total Yearly budget 2024/25:    £24,460

Total spend to date    £8,656.57                      35%

- b) The council resolved to approve payment of invoices via online banking
- c) External audit update – no further update

### 102412 Councillors Forum

To take any points from councillors. For information only, no decisions to be made  
Grit levels were discussed, cllrs to feedback to clerk if further grit is required.

### 102413 Items for the next agenda

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

- 2025/26 budget approval
- Christmas tree
- Third solar farm application
- Grit bins

**102414 Public forum**

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

**102415 Confirmation of next meeting**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7pm

**102416 Closure of meeting**

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