

BARNWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 18th January 2022 at The Village Hall Barnwell at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors D Brown (Chair), C Soans, C Forrest, J De Bock, T Herring, H Hanlon
G Wise (joined meeting at 19.22)

In attendance: N Phillips (Clerk), 1 x member of public

22/01/277	To receive and approve apologies for absence None
22/01/278	Public participation session Member of the public requested that it be noted that the £100 donation towards the cost of wildflower seed was granted by Cllr G Shacklock from his members' empowerment fund which was a fund granted from ENDC to Councillors to spend on local projects. Some outlying properties not receiving copies of the PC newsletter – an offer to deliver to them was received from G Shacklock and accepted.
22/01/279	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. None
22/01/280	To receive and approve for signature minutes of the meeting held November 16th 2021 Resolved: item 21/11/251 to be amended as the VSL was not returned to the supplier. Minutes then approved and signed by Cllr Brown
22/01/281	To note any matters arising from the minutes, not included on this agenda, for report only Condolence book and black armbands to be purchased so as to be available if needed in the future. STAUNCH meeting on January 26 th 2022 to be attended by Cllr Forrest.
22/01/282	To receive and approve for signature minutes of the meeting held December 14th 2021 Resolved: Meeting cancelled due to Covid
22/01/283	To note any matters arising from the minutes, not included on this agenda, for report only None due to meeting being cancelled due to Covid
22/01/284	In response to the Covid-19 outbreak in the UK and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the council in a reasonable time, the Clerk shall have delegated authority to make decisions on behalf of the council only in such circumstances where no Cllr is available to consult with, and where such decision cannot reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decisions made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations. This delegated authority ceases upon the first meeting of the council after the council meeting at which the delegation was put in place Resolved: All in favour

22/01/285	To receive a written report from North Northamptonshire Cllrs. Circulated prior to the meeting																																																																																		
22/01/286	To receive and approve the Balance of Accounts/Bank Reconciliation Resolved: Approved and signed by the Chair																																																																																		
22/01/287	To examine and approve the Bank Statements Resolved: Bank balance standing at £41983.93 at December 29 th 2021, approved and signed as correct by the Chair																																																																																		
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22/01/289	To consider and resolve the Council's response to planning applications received NE/21/01828/FUL + 10829/LBC: widening existing access to create single parking space at 45 Main Street Barnwell PE8 5PS Resolved: BWPC support this application																																																																																		
22/01/290	To note BWPCs response to planning application NN/21/00057/WASFUL Resolved: No objections but screening of site and replacement of any lost biodiversity requested to be considered																																																																																		
22/01/291	To note planning decisions made by NNC. None																																																																																		
22/01/292	To receive a report from Cllr Wise on the provision of elders housing Update received – nothing to report Resolved: Cllr Wise to continue to work on this project																																																																																		
22/01/293	To receive a report from Cllr Wise on issues concerning the highways Volunteer to paint hand rails to bridges over the coming year – paint supplied by Cllr Brown. Resolved: To accept J Foster's offer. Clerk to write to Thorys re mud on road.																																																																																		

22/01/294	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Wise as Police Liaison Representative</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Wise to continue in this role</p>
22/01/295	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Soans on issues concerning public rights of way</p> <p>No issues reported.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Soans to continue in this role</p>
22/01/296	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Soans on the Recreation Field.</p> <p>Regular infrastructure checks carried out by Cllr Soans.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Soans to continue with infrastructure checks</p>
22/01/297	<p>To note the results of the weekly safety checks at the children's playground and to resolve what action to be taken if any</p> <p>Checks carried out by Cllr Forrest. No issues found or reported.</p> <p>Resolved: Checks to be carried out by Cllr Hanlon until the March meeting. Clerk to order more safety check inspection forms. Annual inspection by Wicksteed Leisure booked</p>
	<p>Cllr Wise joined the meeting at this point</p>
22/01/298	<p>To receive a report from on the visual speed indicator signs and other traffic calming measures</p> <p>Continuing attempts being made to sort out problems with the signs and to correspond with supplier. Equipment and batteries checked over and tested by an electrician – batteries will not hold a charge, equipment works when an alternative power pack is attached.</p> <p>Resolved: To write formally to the supplier giving a deadline of 28 days (15.02.2022) to rectify all faults or legal action to be taken. Cllr Brown and the Clerk to continue to work on this issue.</p>
22/01/299	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Brown on issues around flooding and resolve what further actions should be taken</p> <p>Delays to silt removal by EA due to samples needing to be tested for toxicity.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown to continue to liaise with the EA.</p>
22/01/300	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Forrest on issues concerning the village trees</p> <p>Removal of basal growth by NNC scheduled but no date given</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Forrest to continue to work on this matter</p>
22/01/301	<p>To discuss the installation of leisure equipment at the Recreation Field and resolve what action to be taken</p> <p>Quote of £9956.06 received from Kompan. Land agent happy for installation to go ahead subject to some conditions concerning the end of the lease. Cllr Hanlon has consulted the owners of the neighbouring properties who have no objections.</p> <p>Resolved: To order the equipment. Cllr Herring to liaise with the supplier. Clerk to contact insurers to arrange suitable cover. The redundant 'baby swing' to be offered to the preschool, Cllr herring to action.</p>
22/01/302	<p>To receive an update on the funding of a new seat in the Recreation Field and decide on any further action</p> <p>First instalment paid to supplier. Bench to be engraved with 'Barnwell 2022' on the</p>

	<p>rear. Supplier to deliver and install.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown and Soans to liaise with supplier to ensure installation in correct place. Clerk to contact bank to see if payment by bank transfer can be arranged due to bench supplier not accepting payment by cheque.</p>
22/01/303	<p>To receive an update and to resolve what action, if any, to be taken to address resident's concerns re parking on Church Hill.</p> <p>Cllr Brown has consulted with resident's representative and trustees of the nursery and found no support for proposed white 'I' line at present.</p> <p>Resolved: No action to be taken at present</p>
22/01/304	<p>To note action taken by Barnwell Parish Council in response to the issues of climate change and biodiversity loss, and to resolve further actions to be taken.</p> <p>Materials available for the planned book/seed exchange and volunteer 'librarians' recruited.</p> <p>Resolved: Book exchange to be up and running as soon as possible. PC to work to meet the requirements of the Environment Policy and Plan at every opportunity.</p>
22/01/305	<p>To receive an update on the marking The Queen's Jubilee in June 2022</p> <p>Cllr De Bock updated the PC on a plan for planting 70 fruit trees (Community Orchard) around the Village Hall Field as Barnwell's contribution to The Queen's Canopy, Cllr De Bock also updated the Council on discussions had with The Jubilee Jollies. Cllr Forrest has sent an invitation to the Duke of Gloucester to attend the planting of a tree at the centre of the village but has yet to receive a reply.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllrs De Bock to apply to NNC for a grant of £5000 to pay for the planned activities, Cllr Forrest to make further contact with the Duke. Environment group to take on managing the community orchard once planted with ownership remaining with the Parish Council</p>
22/01/306	<p>An update on the initiative to set up a neighbourhood watch in the village and resolve if a budget for signage can be agreed.</p> <p>Resolved: Deferred to the March meeting to allow time to gauge the depth of support for such a scheme.</p>
22/01/307	<p>To accept the offer of the 2022 urban Highway Grass Mowing grant</p> <p>Resolved: To accept – Clerk to notify NN. Clerk to arrange a site meeting with Turneys to run through the mowing scheme for the 2022 season. Cllr De Bock to source stakes to mark out wildlife enhanced areas along with explanation signage.</p>
22/01/308	<p>To resolve to engage with the Northants CALC Asset Mapping Project (AMP) and to appoint an AMP Working Group comprising the clerk and 2 councillors</p> <p>Resolved: All in favour, Cllrs Soans and Hanlon to work with the Clerk along with Cllr Forrest if additional help needed. Clerk to inform NALC.</p>
22/01/309	<p>To resolve to reply to the North Northamptonshire Draft Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to respond reflection the Parish Council's wish that the current involvement continues</p>
22/01/310	<p>To note a letter sent to T Pursglove MP requesting his support with obtaining the legal power for a Parish Council to meet remotely</p> <p>Resolved: Letter sent, expression of support received.</p>

22/01/311	<p>To resolve to accept responsibility for the maintenance of the defibrillator until ownership can be established</p> <p>Resolved: Oundle Community First Responders to carry out checks. BWPC to pay for the new pads and batteries that are required. BWPC accepts ownership of the defibrillator, Clerk to contact insurers to arrange cover.</p>
22/01/312	<p>To resolve to approve the submission of the Barnwell Neighbourhood Plan and associated documentation under Regulation 15 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 to North Northamptonshire Council.</p> <p>Resolved: All in favour</p>
22/01/313	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Volunteer Action newsletter – no action needed Eon transfer of account to Npower – no action needed Issues with hunting with dogs – residents with concerns to be advised to contact the relevant authorities as although the PC appreciates their concerns it is not an enforcing body</p>
22/01/314	<p>To confirm date of the next meeting as 15th March 2022</p> <p>Resolved: Date confirmed</p>
22/01/315	<p>To close the meeting</p> <p>The meeting closed at 20.40pm</p>

Signed:

Dated: