

BARNWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 19th July 2022 at The Village Hall Barnwell at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors D Brown (Chair), C Soans, , C Forrest, H Hanlon, G Wise,

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Clerk), Ward Councillor D Brackenbury

22/07/419	To receive and approve apologies for absence Cllrs J De Bock and T Herring. Ward Cllr W Brackenbury																																				
22/07/420	Public participation session None																																				
22/07/421	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. None																																				
22/07/422	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17th May 2022 Resolved: Signed by the Chairman as a correct record.																																				
22/07/423	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only None																																				
22/07/424	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 28th June 2022 Resolved: Signed by the Chairman as a correct record.																																				
22/07/425	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only None																																				
22/07/426	To receive a report from North Northamptonshire Councillors Garden Waste consultation, Warehouse planning applications go to committee in November, additional £1.5 million allocated to Highways budget																																				
22/07/427	To receive and approve the Balance of Account/Bank Reconciliation Resolved: Balance of accounts and the bank reconciliation approved																																				
22/07/428	To examine and approve the bank statements Bank balance stands at £40814.01 at June 29th 2022 Resolved: Bank statements approved.																																				
22/07/429	To approve and authorise payments of the following invoices plus any others arising between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting (items marked * paid prior to meeting). <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 10%;">Payment Method</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Payee</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Amount With VAT</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Net of VAT</th> <th style="width: 40%;">Item</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Power to pay</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>100750</td> <td>Kompan Ltd*</td> <td>£11,947.27</td> <td>£9956.06</td> <td>Outdoor gym equipment and installation</td> <td>LGA 1972 s 124</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100751</td> <td>Montagu Arms*</td> <td>£150.00</td> <td>£150.00</td> <td>Refreshments after tree planting</td> <td>H'ways 1980 s96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100752</td> <td>Normanton Screen Print*</td> <td>£128.29</td> <td>£106.91</td> <td>NHW signs</td> <td>H'ways 1980 s96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100753</td> <td>N A Phillips</td> <td>£30.17</td> <td>£30.17</td> <td>May Expenses</td> <td>LGA 1972 s111</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D/D 2</td> <td>ICO</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>Data Protection Registration</td> <td>LGA 1972 s111</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Payment Method	Payee	Amount With VAT	Net of VAT	Item	Power to pay	100750	Kompan Ltd*	£11,947.27	£9956.06	Outdoor gym equipment and installation	LGA 1972 s 124	100751	Montagu Arms*	£150.00	£150.00	Refreshments after tree planting	H'ways 1980 s96	100752	Normanton Screen Print*	£128.29	£106.91	NHW signs	H'ways 1980 s96	100753	N A Phillips	£30.17	£30.17	May Expenses	LGA 1972 s111	D/D 2	ICO	£35.00	£35.00	Data Protection Registration	LGA 1972 s111
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	D/D3	PWLB	£547.56	£547.56	Streetlighting loan installment 7	PCA 1957 s3
	100753	N A Phillips	£39.48	£39.48	June Expenses	LGA 1972 s111
	BAC 1	N A Phillips*	£1.00	£1.00	Test payment TH	LGA 1972 s111
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	BAC 3	Turney Landscapes	£208.96	£174.13	Urban highway grass mowing - May 22 (S136) 3/7 (inv 21525)	H'ways 1980 s96
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	100754	N A Phillips	£6.85	£6.85	Reimbursement for tracked and signed letter to The Smart Group	LGA 1972 s111
	BAC 6	Landplan Ltd	TBC	TBC	Jubilee Tree	H'ways 1980 s96
	BAC 4	Turney Landscapes	£208.96	£174.13	Urban highway grass mowing - June 22 (S136)4/7 (inv 21615)	H'ways 1980 s96
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	100754	N A Phillips	£19.99	£16.66	Reimbursement of 25% contribution to Microsoft 365	LGA 1972 s111
	D/D4	npower	£120.38	£114.65	Streetlighting 01.04.22 – 30.06.22	PCA 1957 s3
	BAC 7	C Forrest	£91.60	£91.60	Reimbursement commemorative plaque	H'ways 1980 s96
	Resolved: All payments approved. Cheques signed by Cllrs Hanlon and Brown					
22/07/430	To consider and resolve the Council's response to planning application received. NE/22/00858/FUL: Construction of porch extension and WC; replacement garage on the same footprint with office space over, extending to the rear to incorporate a new double height kitchen linked to dwelling via a glass structure at All Saints House, Main Street Barnwell PE8 5PS Resolved: No objection – Clerk to notify NNC					
22/07/431	To note planning decisions made by NNC. NE/22/00341/LPD: Erection of new ancillary outbuilding at White Lodge, Oundle Road, Barnwell PE8 5PD – permitted Resolved: Clerk to forward correspondence on this application to Ward Cllr D Brackenbury to help BWPC to understand how such decisions are reached.					
22/07/432	To receive an update on remedial work to Parish Council Assets Bus shelter trimming completed. Cllrs Hanlon and Brown have obtained various quotes for the tree bench. An offer to purchase it in memory of a loved one has been received. Cleaning of benches near to the Chancel, and to the manor entrance (Victor Vincent) not yet complete. Grit bin costs researched – see item 22/07/450. Quote for replacement of fencing posts for the Recreation Field received. – see item 22/07/437 Bench at the Recreation field and pigeons. An offending branch/perch has been first broken off and now further cut off and the situation has improved – see item 22/07/437 Resolved: Cllr Brown to carry out cleaning of benches – all other items dealt with later in the meeting. Cllr Brown to obtain firm quote for tree bench with a final decision being made at the September meeting					
22/07/433	To receive a report from Cllr Wise on the provision of elders housing					

	<p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown to draw up list of possible sites as the next step</p>
22/07/434	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Wise on issues concerning highways</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Wise to continue to survey potholes and report to Street Doctor. Cllr Brackenbury to be copied in on any issues that he may be able help with such as the condition of the cycle track and siding out of footpath to Oundle.</p>
22/07/435	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Herring – Police Liaison representative</p> <p>Resolved: No updates to report. PCSO Tim Butter to be invited to village at a suitable date for a Q&A/presentation.</p>
22/07/436	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Soans on issues concerning public rights of way</p> <p>Resolved: No issues to report – no action needed</p>
22/07/437	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Soans on the Recreation Field</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Exercise equipment to be added to playground inspection sheet. Pigeon perch removed so resolved to monitor bench and review at next meeting. A quote to be obtained for strimming around and under exercise equipment at the same time as verges are mown. Work party to be arranged in the autumn to tidy up wildflower area, wildflower area to be extended, Clerk to apply to NNC Cllrs members empowerment fund for a grant towards the cost of this and Community Orchard (see item 22/07/445) Cllrs Soans and Brown to carry out site visit to enable a more detailed specification for replacement fencing to be drawn up as well as to produce a report on possible additional hedging. Cllrs Brown and Soans to research possible site for a willow tunnel and seek advice on installation of one. Cllr Brown to ask T G Marriott & Sons to carry out trimming of roadside hedge, Cllr Brown to ask Turney landscapes to carry out mowing of the bank. Cllr Brown to research possible installation of a barbeque</p>
22/07/438	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Herring on the installation of leisure equipment at the Recreation Field and to resolve what action to be taken</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown to contact local fitness group to see if they would like to use equipment</p>
22/07/439	<p>To note the results of the weekly safety checks at the children’s playground and to resolve what action to be taken</p> <p>Slight movement in frame of ‘baby swing’.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown to carry inspections until September meeting. Cllrs Soans and Brown to examine swing and make adjustments as needed.</p>
22/07/440	<p>To receive an update and determine future action on the visual speed indicator signs – the proposals being to make a claim via legal action or to employ an engineer to quote for and carry out repairs</p> <p>Letter sent by recorded delivery and signed for but no response received</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Hanlon to seek engineer to examine signs and advise if repairs are possible. Cllrs Hanlon, Brown and Wise to work on Small Claims court submission</p>

	with a view to either applying for a full refund or for expenses incurred with repairing signs.
22/07/441	<p>To receive an update on the installation of the traffic calming measures/village Gates</p> <p>Village gates due to be installed in September</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Hanlon to liaise with NCC Highways</p>
22/07/442	<p>To receive a report from Cllr Brown on issues around flooding and to resolve any action to be taken</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Brown to liaise with the EA over further silt removal</p>
22/07/443	<p>To receive an update from Cllr Forrest on issues concerning the village trees.</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to send letter of thanks to R Marriott for removal of fallen tree.</p>
22/07/444	<p>To review the environmental action list and consider expanding the idea to an annual action list of aims and objectives for the year</p> <p>Annual action list of aims and objectives drawn up by Cllr Brown</p> <p>Resolved: List approved – to be revisited at future meetings, Clerk to devise method of recording achievement of aims</p>
22/07/445	<p>To receive an update on the marking of The Queen’s Jubilee in June 2022 to include an update on the application for funding for the proposed orchard and celebrations</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to apply for a grant towards orchard costs (see item 22/07/437), Cllrs herring and DeBock to continue to research other funding sources. Cllr Forrest to be reimbursed for purchase of commemorative plaque, Cllr Forrest to source suitable stone to fix plaque to. Date for November tree planting day to be set at the September meeting.</p>
22/07/446	<p>To receive an update on the initiative to set up a neighbourhood watch in the village and resolve is a budget for signage can be agreed</p> <p>Report circulated prior to meeting (see attached)</p> <p>Resolved: No further action required at this stage.</p>
22/07/447	<p>To resolve to appoint a trustee for Parson Latham’s Hospital in Barnwell</p> <p>Resolved: To appoint Cllr H Hanlon to a further 4 year term. Clerk to inform Parson Lathams Hospital</p>
22/07/448	<p>To consider membership of the Rural Villages Services Group at an annual membership cost of £70.00.</p> <p>Resolved: To take advantage of the six months free membership before deciding whether to take out paid membership</p>
22/07/449	<p>To note the clarification, requested by the Examiner, of certain points in the Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>Resolved: Clarification noted</p>
22/07/450	<p>To resolve to purchase two replacement grit bins</p> <p>Resolved: To purchase two dark green bins at a cost of £105.84 + VAT and delivery – Cllr Brown to arrange.</p>
22/07/451	<p>To resolve that the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following</p>

	<p>expenditure which in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure: contribution to the work of Volunteer Action amount to be confirmed</p> <p>Resolved: To grant £250.00 towards the cost of services provided</p>
22/07/452	<p>To resolve to make a grant to Barnwell PCC for maintenance of the public footpath through the Chancel burial ground</p> <p>Resolved: To give £150.00 towards the costs</p>
22/07/453	<p>Correspondence: Invitation to attend a meeting to explore AONB status for the Nene Valley received by Cllr Soans who will attend and feedback at the next PC meeting</p>
22/07/454	<p>To confirm date of the next meeting of the Parish Council as 20th September 2022</p> <p>Resolved: Meeting date confirmed</p>
22/07/455	<p>To close the meeting</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.05pm</p>

Signed:

Dated:

22/07/433 - At the last meeting of our committee, we concluded that we could not go much further until we had decided on a plot and as the only one that had been offered was Castle Farm, I emailed the landowner to try to ascertain his intentions for the site.

He has made it clear that he sees Castle Farm as a brownfield site, even though we have been advised that it currently isn't. We feel that in order for this scheme to be viable, we would need an exception site. While the Duke was visiting for his tree planting, he happened to drop into the conversation he would be happy to offer (presumably at a cost) the site behind the Railway Station.

I believe as I have said before this is too big a decision for our Committee and feel that we need to come back to the P.C. for guidance as I believe that if we approached the landowners, we could probably come up with 3 or 4 sites that would be offered (this is merely conjecture on my part).

22/07/434 - I have started my survey of the village at the important end and reported a number of pot holes and road imperfections between my house and the end of the village. Some have previously been reported and a note has been put on the website, saying the report has been passed to the relevant department and will receive attention during the next 6 months.

I shall continue with the rest of the village after the heat has died down

22/07/437 - Equipment all in good order. Do we need to formally add Exercise equipment to play area checks? Discussion needed on whether we are going to move the bench as it's currently being assaulted by the local pigeons. We also need to agree how we want to manage the grass beneath the new exercise equipment as George can't mow it with his mower. Wild flower area is looking great - will need a small work party in the autumn to cut and remove. We are continuing to complete the first section using the old mats to kill off the grass before seeding and will do the final section this autumn. Recommendation that we extend the wild flower area by creating a thin strip (width of cricket mat) along the back fence at the top of the field, next year? Can we discuss, we can use seed from existing planting so it should have no costs?

22/07/438 - Installation fully completed and paid. Equipment publicised on Council news sheet updates. Feedback has been positive. Note ref 22/07/437 on formal process for inspection visits of the equipment and strimming of grass. Agenda item can be removed in future and covered under recreation field update.

22/07/442 - The Environment Agency contractor has cleared a small channel in the bottom of the brook as they have for the last year or two at this time. I expect them to trim the whole brook before winter.

I would now like to write on behalf of the council asking for the next section downstream from the stone bridge to below the next pedestrian bridge to be cleared of silt. Is that approved?

The community resilience plan is still in my in-tray, although we do have a quite detailed flood plan in place.

22/07/443 - The cherry tree adjacent to the Chancel which came down in high winds has now been cleared. Thanks to Robert Marriott for removing and clearing up. Contact has been made with the tree officer, Brian Ogden, who has agreed to meet. Date to be agreed

22/07/445 - HRH The Duke of Gloucester came to the village on 24th May to plant a crab apple tree to mark the Queen's Jubilee. The ceremony was followed by an inspection of the playground and the proposed site for the planting of the community orchard.

22/07/446 - Neighbourhood Watch signs have been received, paid for and installed around the village. Thanks to Jerry Dodds for his assistance and circulation of questionnaire to registered members - response was low but general view is to focus on communication of local concerns and advice to reduce risk of theft etc. Need to consider whether additional signs to be added near the village gates once installed. Quotes to be obtained for separate posts for signs. Neighbourhood Watch news updates added to the Council news sheet.