

## BARNWELL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at The Village Hall Barnwell at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllrs D Brown (Chair), C Soans (Vice Chair), J De Bock, C Forrest, T Herring

**In attendance:** Mrs N Phillips (Clerk), Ward Cllr W Brackenbury

<b>22/11/498</b>	<b>To receive and approve apologies for absence</b> Cllr Hanlon – apologies accepted, Ward Cllr D Brackebury					
<b>22/11/499</b>	<b>Public participation session</b> None					
<b>22/11/500</b>	<b>To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.</b> Cllr De Bock – item 22/11/525					
<b>22/11/501</b>	<b>To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022</b> <b>Resolved:</b> Signed by the Chairman as a correct record after amendment of day the meeting was held.					
<b>22/11/502</b>	<b>To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only</b> None					
<b>22/11/503</b>	<b>To receive a report from North Northamptonshire Councillors</b> Avian Flu outbreak, Green Waste bin charges, subsidised compost bins, explanation on NNC grants					
<b>22/11/504</b>	<b>To receive and approve the Balance of Account/Bank Reconciliation</b> <b>Resolved:</b> Balance of accounts and the bank reconciliation approved					
<b>22/11/505</b>	<b>To examine and approve the bank statements</b> Bank balance stands at £26026.05 at October 31st 2022 <b>Resolved:</b> Bank statements approved.					
<b>22/11/506</b>	<b>To approve and authorise payments of the following invoices plus any others arising between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting</b>					
	<b>Payment Method</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount With VAT</b>	<b>Net of VAT</b>	<b>Item *Paid prior to meeting</b>	<b>Power to pay</b>
	BAC 13	Corido	£2,265.00	£2,225.00	Tree seat with inscription	PCA 1957 s1
	100770	N A Phillips	£325.41	£325.41	November salary	LGA 1972 s112
	100768	N A Phillips	£28.76	£28.76	October expenses	LGA 1972 s111
	100769	The Royal British Legion	£25.00	£25.00	Poppy Wreath	LGA 1972 s137
	100771	N A Phillips	£325.41	£325.41	December Salary	LGA 1972 s112
	100773	T G Marriott & Sons	£600.00	£500.00	Mowing of Recreation Field	LGA 1972 s124
	100772	N A Phillips	£169.54	£169.54	Backdated salary increase (April - October)	LGA 1972 s112
	BAC 14	Turney Landscapes Ltd	£208.96	£174.13	Urban highways grass mowing - Oct (S136)7/7 (inv 21068)	H'ways 1980 s96
	D/D 4	Npower	£TBC	£TBC	Streetlighting (unmetered supply) - 01.10.2022 - 30.11.2022	PCA 1957 s3
	D/D 3	PWLB	£547.56	£547.56	Streetlighting loan installment 6	PCA 1957 s3
	<b>Resolved:</b> All payments approved. Cheques signed by Cllrs Brown and Herring					

22/11/507	<p><b>To note the Clerk's hours worked and new pay rate after the annual pay settlement, also annual appraisal</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Currently worked around 10 hours over those contracted for this year to date. Salary increase noted with annual incremental rise in April</p>
22/11/508	<p><b>To set the budget for the year 2023/2024</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> To set a budget of £12090.00</p>
22/11/509	<p><b>To set the precept for the year 2023/2024</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> To set a precept of £11150.00</p>
22/11/510	<p><b>To consider and resolve the Council's response to planning application received.</b></p> <p>NE/22/01208/FUL: Proposed internal alteration works at Oundle Mill, Barnwell Road, Oundle PE8 5PB</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Whilst having no objections to this application (NE/22/01208/LBC), Cllrs are somewhat confused by the reference made to a previous application (08/00661/FUL) which they understand to have long since expired. If this current application is part of a wider development of the site it would have been easier, and preferable, for there to have been a single application covering all proposed works. – Clerk to notify NNC</p>
22/11/511	<p><b>To note planning decisions made by NNC.</b></p> <p>None received</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> No action necessary</p>
22/11/512	<p><b>To receive an update on correspondence with NNC Planning Department</b></p> <p>Offer of online meeting received as Officer lives in London</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Brown to arrange with the Officer concerned to meet online, Cllr Forrest to also attend. Cllrs to submit questions to Cllr Brown.</p>
22/11/513	<p><b>To receive an update on the replacement of the tree seat, and to resolve what action is necessary.</b></p> <p>Donations received, bench ordered and paid for.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Clerk to track order. Consideration to be given to adopting a Memorial Bench Policy</p>
22/11/514	<p><b>To receive a report from Cllr Wise on the provision of community housing</b></p> <p>Due to Cllr Wise's absence Cllr Herring reported on a further meeting with developers, and outlined various options to take this project forward.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> A flyer to be produced by those working on this project, and distributed to gauge interest amongst residents</p>
22/11/515	<p><b>To receive a report from Cllr Wise on issues concerning highways</b></p> <p>Nothing received from Cllr Wise but two issues concerning subsidence of the road surface to be reported to StreetDoctor.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Forrest to report situation near Friars Close Farm, Cllr Brown to do similar with location near to the ford.</p>
22/11/516	<p><b>To receive a report from Cllr Herring – Police Liaison representative and Neighbourhood Watch</b></p> <p>Nothing to report other than a meeting on County Lines to be held in Oundle</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> No action needed</p>

22/11/517	<p><b>To receive a report from Cllr Soans on issues concerning public rights of way</b></p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> No action needed</p>
22/11/518	<p><b>To note the results of the weekly safety checks at the children's playground, and the Recreation Field, and to resolve what action to be taken</b></p> <p>Reports of children playing in the playground after dark. Inspection of Equipment and Reporting of Accident Policy and Procedures to be developed. Accident Book held by Clerk</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr De Bock to carry out inspections until January meeting. Cllr Herring to work on suggested policy and procedures</p>
22/11/519	<p><b>To confirm the contractor for the new fencing at the Recreation Field, bearing in mind the success or otherwise of the application for councillor empowerment fund, resolve which fencing quote to pursue</b></p> <p>Grant application unsuccessful.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> To defer work until funding is established. Cllr Herring to research further grants</p>
22/11/520	<p><b>To receive an update and determine future action on the visual speed indicator signs</b></p> <p>Grant application in final stages. Possible purchase of a third sign if and when funding permits</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Clerk to submit application once all supporting documentation is ready, Clerk to check for deadline for spending any grant money received</p>
22/11/521	<p><b>To receive an update on the installation of the traffic calming measures/village Gates</b></p> <p>Still waiting for work to start</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Clerk to continue to chase up. Cllr Brackenbury also to contact Highways on behalf of BWPC</p>
22/11/522	<p><b>To receive a report from Cllr Brown on issues around flooding and to resolve any action to be taken</b></p> <p>Site visit carried out by the EA but no definite commitment to further desilting work</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Brown to continue to liaise with the EA over further silt removal</p>
22/11/523	<p><b>To receive an update from Cllr Forrest on issues concerning the village trees.</b></p> <p>No new issues to report, no response from NNC Tree Officer to query re trees being damaged by ponies.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Forrest to continue to chase up the County Tree Officer, Cllr Brackenbury also to contact Tree officer on behalf on BWPC. Cllr Forrest to write to the landowner re concerns.</p>
22/11/524	<p><b>To review the environmental action list and the action list of aims and objectives for the year</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Review carried out and list updated.</p>
22/11/525	<p><b>To receive an update from Cllrs De Bock and Herring on grant applications and planning for the Community orchard planting</b></p> <p>Grant received, trees ordered and paid for, flyer advertising planting day on December 4<sup>th</sup> to be printed and distributed. Cllr De Bock has sought quotes for</p>

	<p>additional items needed with the best value quote being received from Landplan Contracting Ltd, Cllr De Bock declared an interest due to connection to this company. Cllr Soans showed examples of tree tags.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> A further planning meeting to be held on November 26<sup>th</sup>. See attached report of tasks and volunteers.</p>
22/11/526	<p><b>To discuss the issue of parking in the village</b></p> <p>Deferred to the January meeting</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> To be added to the January Agenda</p>
22/11/527	<p><b>To resolve whether or not to continue with membership of the Rural Villages Service Group</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Not to continue membership</p>
22/11/528	<p><b>To give consideration to running or supporting a Community Warm Space</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> No action needed as no firm proposal received</p>
22/11/529	<p><b>To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan</b></p> <p>Referendum set for December 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 – all notices posted.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Clerk to ascertain who pays for the referendum</p>
22/11/530	<p><b>To respond to the NCALC EV survey</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Responses collated to be submitted by the Clerk</p>
22/11/531	<p><b>To approve the purchase of new equipment (up to the value of £60.00) for the Christmas Lights on The Green, plus a contribution towards the cost of the electricity</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Brown authorised to spend up to £100.00 on equipment and electricity costs.</p>
22/11/532	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p>Notification of closure of Church Hill for gas installation circulated by email and flagged up on website, notice board and Face Book newsletter. Copy of objections made by Thurning PC received from Thurning PC. Update on campaign to have the Nene Valley recognised as an AONB</p>
22/11/533	<p><b>To confirm date of the next meeting of the Parish Council as 17th January 2023</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Meeting date confirmed</p>
22/10/544	<p><b>To close the meeting</b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.20 pm</p>

Signed:

Dated:

## Community Orchard planning group

**Present:**Tim Herring David Brown Chris Soans Hanneke Soans Helma Grant Luuk Wagter  
Rupert Paul Abi Smith Sheena Pallash Werner de Bock Jeanne de Bock.  
**Apologies:** Bob Pallash Thelma Quinn Katy Forrest.

### Adopt a tree scheme day on the 4th of December from 10am till 1pm.

The Day will include:

Tree planting with the help of the volunteers of the BEA action group

Environmental activities such as	Seed bomb making	David Brown
Educational leaflets	Hibernators	Abi Smith Rupert Paul.

Name Tags for the day {with possible replacement (wooden ones later)}.	Chris Soans
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Barbecue to be organised by	Tim Herring, Bob Pallash Hanneke Soans
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What we need:

Fruit Trees have been ordered.	
Quotes for Stakes/rabbit guards/mulch mats/compost and fertiliser.	Jeanne and Werner de Bock.

We also need a letter that explains what we are planning to do and that will give people a chance to put their names down beforehand ( to be returned to the phone box)  
Each person can put their name down on the tree that they have planted.  
So they are adopting a tree however the ownership will always be the Barnwell Parish Council with the management of the BEA group.  
Letter to be written by Jeanne, David, Tim and Chris.

The Holes for the Trees will be pre drilled and numbered	Werner de Bock David Brown
We will also need a map to mark what fruit, who planted the tree	Chris Soans

We discussed Waterbutts for the village Hall And further ideas were discussed.	Werner and Rupert
Tim to investigate what we can claim for under the various funding schemes.	

Village Hall has been booked for the day.

Further thoughts.  
We need a record of the event : photo's, video, press release etc.

Further meeting to be organised closer to the date of the planting.