

## Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

Present: T Edmunds, G Murrells, G Neave, S Lamb, T Dean, M Martin, M Oakden and D Bradley Clerk

Also present: NCC representative A Bradnock

Parishioners present: 2

Apologies for absence from B McGoun NNDC representative

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated. Councillors agreed and approved them as a true record and the Chairman signed the copy.

Declarations of Councillors' interests - None

Matters Arising:

New Victory Hall - Mrs Murrells reminded the meeting that a Fashion Show is to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> April.

NIBCHG - Mrs Murrells reported that the board in the Black Shed had been filled with historical pictures and information relating to the Staithe for visitors to look at. The Parish Council wait to hear about the adoption of the telephone box, with the possibility of the group placing photographs inside relating to the history of the common, and inclusion of books. The Parish Council agreed this would be a good idea and suggested information about the village sign be included.

Highways - The Clerk had reported the broken/rusted sign close to the Methodist Church to Highways. Mr Neave suggested Norfolk CC Highways make the vertical posts for all signs out of reconstituted plastic as they would last much longer than the present metal ones. A Bradnock would take this to Highways.

Norfolk County Council representative A Bradnock - Mrs Bradnock reminded the meeting that County Elections are to be held on 4<sup>th</sup> May. There are to be several people standing down at Norfolk County Council, including her. She has enjoyed working in the role but has found it difficult to balance home life with Council work.

NNDC - B McGoun had informed the Clerk that she had nothing to report.

BTCC update - G Neave had attended a meeting with BA about stern on mooring at the staithe. He stated that there was a need to maximise income where possible to maintain new bin compound and staithe. He proposed that BA designate a mooring space for half an hour purely for filling up with water. BA will discuss this and return to the PC with their decision. The mooring fee for residents had been increased to £5.00 per foot, and an extra rule had been added to the Staithe Management rules.

Correspondence received and circulated:

New Norfolk Wildlife Trust signs for Barton Broad and Gay's Staithe - The Parish Council has no objection to either, but there is a need to discuss a suitable position for both.

What information will the public glean from the new board that is not already on the BA sign? Would it be possible for BA and NWT to have a joint board?

CPRE - lobby against damaging new housing targets - After discussion the majority vote by Councillors was to support CPRE Norfolk's Pledge in it's campaign aimed at ensuring that no new sites are allocated for house building in revised local plans to 2036 until all existing allocations in current core strategies have been developed.

Finance:

Internal Auditor - The Clerk requested approval of an internal auditor namely Mr P Read. All in favour.

The Clerk issued a cheque in the sum of £600 to NVH towards the Caretaker's salary, which had been approved at the end of last year. Cheque  
No. 100758

Planning:

PF/16/1775 Berry Lodge - change of use of first floor garage from studio to hairdressing salon

Permitted by NNDC.

PF/17/0426 The Beeches - single storey rear extension with access stairs and balcony  
No objections  
by PC.

Any Other Business

The Clerk had received an invitation to a Civic Dinner from North Walsham Mayor. As guests were also invited it was put to the Council if anybody wished to attend.

Ground in front of postbox at Common - Mrs Lamb requested the muddy area be dealt with. Mr Mills advised that the area had been "cleaned" during the day so now would be a good time to put a hard surface down.

There being nothing further to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is to be held on 9<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.