

Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council meeting held on
Tuesday 14th September 2021 in the Black Shed.

Present: G Neave, M Mills, S Maxwell, D Dean, H McFadyen, J Fletcher, D Bradley

Also Present: G Mancini-Boyle

Apologies from A Wilton

The Minutes of the last meeting were circulated. They were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

Declarations of Councillors' interests: None were made.

Matters Arising:

BA 24 hour mooring lease update – Discussions are ongoing with Nicky Talbot, Head of Navigation Committee, and other Heads of Departments within the Broads Authority. A team is to get in contact after looking further into the communications already made between the Parish Council and the Broads Authority. Hire boat companies and other large organisations do not want the free mooring spaces lost to public use. The Council agreed that if nothing is heard from Broads Authority by the end of the month, local MPs are to be made aware of the situation.

Black Shed update – The Structural Engineer had not responded to emails or phone calls. His PA has recently reported that the Council's project is listed as "an enquiry". Any further contact is to be made with the PA, and copies of all emails sent to Mr French are to be sent to her.

New Victory Hall update – All users pre-Covid are now back using the Hall. External render is to be replaced. An area outside the Hall is to be designated as wildlife friendly. Forthcoming events include a quiz at the end of the month, and The Sheringham Shantymen will be performing on 16th October.

Highways

- Root stump on Staithe Road – an online update stated that the issue has been resolved, but to date the stump remains. The Clerk is to inform Cllr Price and Highways.
- Sam 2 – Nothing had been heard since August and new posts were not yet in place for the Sam2 sign. The Clerk was asked to chase Westcotec and R Price about the posts and demonstration.

Gay staithe

Amended spelling on signs – Nothing had been heard from Broads Authority.

Irstead Staithe Lease between the Parish Council and Barton Turf Charity for Relief in Need

This lease is to be reworded to remove the quay heading and attached metre of land leading away from the river, to enable the Charity to make their own agreement with Broads Authority.

Sign on Irstead Staithe – A quote for a new sign amounts to £25.00 + VAT to which approval was given by the Parish Council. The Poors Trust are to be notified and await their approval regarding the wording.

Wildlife East Group -The group has been busy within the communities. A report is to be brought to a future Council meeting.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2-5th June 2022 – The Chairman is to arrange a meeting to discuss events for all three parishes to be involved in, also which groups and days for the celebrations to take place.

Grass cutting 2022

With the retirement of the present Contractor, three suggestions were proposed for the Clerk to contact about quotations for 2022-23.

NNDC report from G Mancini-Boyle

Present cases reported of 188 per 7 days in North Norfolk, which remains 5th safest place in Great Britain. Central Government is giving up to £2,400 monthly per Afghan refugee family to accommodate them. Discussion is ongoing if and when families will be coming to North Norfolk.

Brown waste bins. Following residents' enquiries to the Chairman about availability of brown bins, Cllr Mancini-Boyle advised that anybody wanting a brown bin, but not on NNDC list, should contact Mr Martin by email scott.martin@north-norfolk.gov.uk

Finance

Monies paid since last meeting – None made

Cricket Club - After discussion, the Club has rescinded their request for a donation from the Parish Council for three meetings held in the pavilion.

Planning

RV/21/2324/4 – Ikens Farm – Variation of Cond 2 (approved plans PF/19/0424) to allow installation of 2 windows on north elevation. No objection by the Parish Council

BA/2021/0225 – Grove House – replace front door. Approved by Broads Authority

Any Other Business

WW2 Memories Day at the New Victory Hall on Saturday 18th September– The NIBCHG requested the event be noted and minuted.

Dog swimming - A request had been made via the Parish Council website for a sign to be placed at Irstead Staithe stating boat users are to allow dogs access to the river via the small slipway. The Chairman is to politely respond advising that it is not possible to police visitors' behaviours on or off boats.

Blocked ditch on Pennygate Road - Hedge cutting and broken branches have blocked the ditch close to Home Farm loke. Highways is to be informed.

There being nothing further to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is to be held on **Tuesday 2nd November in the Round Room, New Victory Hall at 7pm.**

