

Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council meeting held  
on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 in the New Victory Hall

Present: G Neave, M Mills, J Fletcher, D Dean, S Maxwell, A Wilton, H McFadyen and D Bradley (Clerk)

Also present: NCC representative R Price

Apologies received from G Mancini-Boyle NNDC representative

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated. The Council agreed they were a true record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Declarations of Councillors' interests – none declared

Matters Arising:

BA 24 hour mooring lease – Communication is ongoing with Broads Authority. Their latest proposal suggests possible reinstatement of the slipway which the Council feels would reduce parking spaces. Further discussion is to take place at the next Charity meeting.

Black Shed update – A Chartered Surveyor's report had been received but it lacked details of faults and work required. A quote is to be requested from the Surveyor for a more detailed report to be provided, in order to be able to proceed with grant applications.

New Victory Hall update – The hall is fully booked and is financially healthy. Lingering Covid related restrictions limits full capacity in the hall to 80 people. The recent quiz evening and entertainment by the Sheringham Shantymen had been very successful. Future events include a Christmas Fayre.

Highways

Root stump on Staithe Road – The root stump has eventually been removed by Highways.

Sam2 – New posts had been installed, but those which were promised to be replaced were still in situ. Cllr Maxwell agreed to contact Westcotec to get the training arranged.

Verge Management – Cllr Price advised that no urban cutting takes place within the village by County Highways. A local farmer has been asked to quote to cut village verges in Barton Turf. Cllr Mills stated that spraying "kerbs" was an unnecessary service in the village, and asked Cllr Price to inform Highways.

Irstead Staithe

Lease – Irstead Pools Trust is to draw up a re-worded lease regarding responsibility for the quayheading.

New Sign – the new sign was erected on Irstead staithe. The invoice is awaited.

Wildlife East Group – A Common Wildlife Site survey had been received and circulated to the Councillors. A report had been received from Norfolk Wildlife Trust direct to the Parish Council with recommendations of future management. The Council agreed that the report should be forwarded to the Wildlife East Group. Further discussion is to be held at the next Charity meeting.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022 – 9 people met in October when various suggestions were put forward for the celebration weekend June 2-5<sup>th</sup> 2022. The next meeting is on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, when it is hoped more organisations will be represented.

Grass cutting quotations for 2022-23 – One quote had been received and circulated. Another contractor will be contacting the Chairman to arrange a site visit. Concern had been expressed about the number of molehills which could damage the machine cutters. A quote had been obtained of £250 to set traps over the winter months.

Report from Norfolk County Councillor Richard Price – The Covid cases in North Norfolk total 6885, an increase of 476 in the last week. An increase of 1949 since the last Council meeting. The current infection rate is 370 per 100,000 – 178 at the last meeting date. 234 deaths – an increase of 11 since the last meeting. The infection rate per day for over 60's averages 12 cases per day. For under 60's averages 55 per day.

The Rapid Response Vehicle is to be moved to and stationed on North Walsham side of Cromer, to save time travelling through Cromer to get to people in North Norfolk, and which is far quicker than an ambulance.

Cllr Price advised of three options of tree packs of 10 for local Councils to plant trees which are to be visible from the highway - Orchard, Copse and Hedging. The Council is to bring ideas to the next meeting of any land to be considered suitable.

£10million pothole fund – What3Words will be added to the Highways online reporting in the new year, following a suggestion by this Parish Council.

Cllr Price represents NCC on the Regional Flood & Coastal Committee. There is a need to build more houses, but those already built are the wrong type and at wrong locations. Affordable housing plans are totally inappropriate in the new locations. It is important to push the Planning Departments to get real to this and to act re COP26, and to increase awareness about rising water levels. Changes need to be managed.

PC Gibbs No report received.

Correspondence received by email:

NNDC Greenbuild Online Festival 1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Finance:

Monies received since last meeting:

NNDC second half of precept £3,500

Total currently in the Community account is £9,462 and Business Account £2,544

The Clerk asked for approval of three months' salary payment of £521.95 and expenses of £112.00 relating to Broadland Computers invoice for further work on laptop. Council approved payment (total £633.95} Cheque No. 100886

After discussion, the Council agreed and approved payments to:

Barton Turf Parochial Church Council	£250.00	Cheque No. 100887
Irstead Parochial Church Council	£200.00	Cheque No. 100888
Stalham & Smallburgh First Responders	£200.00	Cheque No. 100889

Planning:

PF/21/2510 The White House, Pennygate – Erection of single storey first and rear extension, 2 dormer windows and insertion of Juliet balcony. No objection by Council

RV/21/2323 Ikens Farm – To allow installation of 2 additional windows on north elevation. The application has been withdrawn.

BA/2021/0422/HOUSEH - Irstead Manor – Reinstate existing site access, replace timber gate with metal gates and brick tiers. Close existing access. Supported by Parish Council.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the New Victory Hall.