

Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council virtual meeting held on Tuesday 27th October 2020.

Present: G Neave, M Mills, J Fletcher, H McFadyen, D Dean, J Menges and D Bradley
Also Present: R Price as NCC representative and G Mancini-Boyle as NNDC representative

Apologies from S Maxwell

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as a true record, and are to be signed at the next formal meeting.

Declarations of Councillors' interests: None declared.

Matters Arising:

BA 24 hour mooring lease/valuation

At a meeting held by the Broads Authority, the valuation for the mooring was flatly refused. The Chairman proposed that a small sub-committee of three Councillors discuss ideas to move forward, with all Councillors sending in their views. After offering to help, the Council were happy for G Neave, M Mills and H McFadyen to be in the sub-committee.

Boats abandoned on the river

Correspondence relating to the above was sent to the Broads Authority, Broads Society and other organisations. Two lengthy responses had been received by the Clerk today and were to be forwarded to the Councillors.

New Victory Hall update

The Committee were very grateful for the Parish Councils' agreement for the Hall to retain the full amount of the grant given earlier in the year. 60% of the people had returned to use the Hall following the lockdown.

Highways - Staithe Road trees and flooding. The Chairman had met with M Sherry of Highways who had passed on information to J Le-Hays about the blocked drain at the Staithe causing flooding at the Black Shed. Also discussed were the trees at the top of Staithe Road which had caused problems for high transport, including boats being taken to and from the boatyard. An arboriculturist would be inspecting the trees.

Signposts - Cllr Mills had taken photographs of signs which needed attention by Highways who plan to gradually replace signs with stainless steel posts. Highways will also be asked to look at the flooding around the telephone kiosk particularly as rain water runs off the road.

Village Sign Repair progress

The Chairman reported that following searches for a cheaper price for the oak post there was no alternative option to the quote given.

NNDC G Mancini-Boyle

Covid 19 current results for the region were 30-35 cases per week, with 50 deaths reported since March. Currently 317th on the league of best performing, a long way off from Liverpool in Tier 3. The main concern is the health and wellbeing of the people in the area, with officers at the District Council being trained to provide support. 500 food deliveries across the County have been made, plus many prescriptions. Signs are being requested to place on litter bins for masks to be disposed of safely.

NCC - R Price

With the half term the region is facing challenges with influx of visitors, particularly for the elderly population. Regrettably within supermarkets the 2 metre rule seems to have evaporated, but that space is crucial. Cllr Price advised that any highways matters not being dealt with should be reported to him for chasing, providing him with the relevant

Enquiry number from the website. The NCC Boundary Review, sent to Councillors by the Clerk post agenda, has been influenced by political parties. Cllr Price asked for the Councillors to each respond to the Boundary Commission, as well as the Parish Council. Cllr Dean asked for an update about the SAM sign being installed in the village, and Cllr Price advised that the Council is on the waiting list, and dependent on the budget.

Correspondence received:

Invite to Q&A session with Police and Crime Commissioner on 6 November. Circulated to Councillors.

NNDC Notice of Consultation - Planning White Paper. Applications will be automatic and it is important for the Parish Council to continue to provide input about planning applications.

Finance:

Payments made since last meeting:

Indigo Waste Services Ltd - three collections from Barton Staithe and one from Irstead.
£59.40

Councillors approved.

Cheque No. 100860

The Clerk requested suggestions and approval of payment to local organisations and charities.

The Council approved payment to Stalham and Smallburgh First Responders of £200.00.

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A decision regarding the two Parochial Church Councils and the New Victory Hall will be made at the next meeting.

Planning:

PF/20/0945 - Erection of Agricultural building on Long Road, Irstead. Application withdrawn.

PF/20/0941 - Heather Bank - Detached 2 bay cartshed to front/porch to front. Approved by NNDC

PF/20/1425 - Berry Hall Farm - siting of additional shepherd's hut and parking space. Approved by

NNDC with condition that the Shepherd's huts shall be used for the purposes of commercial holiday accommodation only.

NEW - Halt, The Street, Barton Turf - work incorporating 4 dormer windows and 2 rooflights in roof, erection of one and a half storey front extension, 3 parking spaces and installation of septic tank.

Councillors requested more time to look at the application. Decision to be made before deadline.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting. The next virtual meeting is on 8th December.