

Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council meeting held on 4th December 2018.

Present: T Edmunds, G Neave, M Oakden, J Fletcher, D Dean, J Menges and D Bradley as Clerk.

Also present: 3 parishioners, and B McGoun as North Norfolk District Council representative

Apologies from M Mills and R Price (NCC representative)

Three items were brought forward for comment by the parishioners present:

The boundary at Halt - The residents met with the Chairman and Clerk prior to the meeting and provided documentation which verified the hedge is on the boundary. The antiquated sewage system is located on their property, and is to be renewed. The residents informed the Council that following the comments received about the original application to extend their property, they have taken everything into account, and will be re-applying making sure all statements are included in the application. The Chairman thanked the residents for taking the time to attend and giving attention to the comments provided, and wait to see the revised application.

Sewage system in Barton Turf - A couple of residents had made tentative enquiries about the village being connected to a public sewer. One of the residents has struggled with waste problems at his property for about seven years, with all attempts to rectify the problem making no difference. B McGoun is to approach Anglian Water, and the Council is to draft a letter for delivery to all households in Barton Turf.

Report from NNDC representative - B McGoun advised that there had been problems at the District Council, which have now been resolved by the appointment of new Liberal Democrat leaders.

The residents and B McGoun left the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting had been circulated. The Council agreed they were a true record of the last meeting and the Chairman signed them.

Declarations of Councillors' interests - none declared.

New Victory Hall - The Committee were pleased with the external work completed. A Christmas fair and music evening are to be held before Christmas. Another Community Breakfast is on 12th January 2019. The Council's contribution towards the work of the caretaker had been well received.

NIBCHG update - The WW1 centenary commemorations and the Poppy Trail were well received within the community. On Wednesday 9th January 2019 there will be a presentation entitled Broadland Breweries - past and present, at 7.30pm at Neatishead School.

Poors Trust - A report was provided to the Council which stated that gifts and grants would be distributed within the community. The Trust expressed thanks to the Parish Council for maintaining Irstead Staithe.

BA lease - Ongoing. The Clerk was asked to chase the Broads Authority.

Highways - The Clerk is to request Highways to cut the hedge on the double bend at Pennygate Lane, also for road signs to be cleaned. Concern was expressed about mud on bends and junctions.

Speeding in the village - M Mills still to speak to the local farmer regarding permissive footpaths.

Planting of poppy seeds - A suitable site is still to be found in Barton Turf. Some seeds had been planted along Irstead church bank.

Acknowledgement of payments - all the grants made at the last meeting had been sent and acknowledgements for all of them had been received.

Payments made since the last meeting:

C Barrett - cutting grass on Barton Common	£544.00	Cheque No. 100816
S Stone - cutting grass at Irstead Staithe x 3	£120.00	Cheque No.
100817		

2019/20 Precept

The Clerk provided figures to the Council. It was proposed that the precept be increased by 3%, to £6,365. The Council approved and agreed the figure, the Chairman and Clerk completed and signed the NNDC request form.

Planning

BA/2018/0364/COND Ice House, The Shoal, Irstead - to allow existing cladding to remain.

Refused by Broads Authority.

Any Other Business

Overstayers - Two live aboard boats regularly moor at Irstead Staithe, as last year. The Parish Council was asked to remind Broads Authority to enforce their rules about overstaying.

There being nothing further to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday January 15th 2019 at 7.30pm in the Black Shed.