

Minutes of Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council meeting held on 15th January 2019.

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

Also present: B McGoun as North Norfolk District Council representative and R Price, Norfolk County Council representative

Declarations of Councillors' interests: M Oakden re Neatishead & Barton Pre-school

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

A draft letter/questionnaire drawn up by the Chairman was circulated to Councillors, regarding obtaining parishioners' support to an application to Anglian Water to investigate the possibility of mains foul sewers being provided within the village of Barton Turf. After discussion some amendments were to be made prior to being produced for delivery to households in Barton Turf.

Matters Arising:

New Victory Hall - A 30-year warranty for the recent building work has been obtained direct from the applicators. All existing users have returned for 2019, with a couple of possible new bookings. The Big Breakfast raised 1,100 with 1,000 matched funding from Barclays.

NIBCHG - A meeting about the history of local breweries had been well attended. The next meeting, at NVH on 20th February, will be a research evening on old maps. Poppy seeds are to be planted in Irstead churchyard and around the Coronation tree.

BA lease - The chairman has received a clean copy from Broads Authority. A copy is to be emailed to Councillors.

Highways - Large potholes are to be reported at the entrance to the new building on Neatishead Road.

Speeding in the village - M Mills had spoken to the landowner who had expressed concern that a new hole had appeared through a hedge which was not originally on the permissive path along Hall Road. It would be extremely complicated to extend the path further towards Neatishead. In order to improve safety of pedestrians walking along the road, the Council agreed to request Norfolk County Council provide funding to install Sam2 along the highway. Mr Price was happy to carry the request forward.

Planting of poppy seeds - The Council agreed the poppies should be planted along the bank on the edge of Barton churchyard.

Barton Turf Community Charities - The main issue has been to get approval of work to the staithe standpipe from Anglian Water, following new regulations regarding delivery of water by a retractable hosepipe without a check valve. The next meeting date was agreed as 5th February.

NCC - Mr Price reported that a consultation on early childhood and family service finished in November. The proposals have been amended with further debate in the week commencing 22nd January. The new proposals mean that it will be a much more efficient service, with teams getting out to the vulnerable families and young people, by means of having more bases such as libraries which are accessible by people of all ages.

Correspondence received -

NNDC - Community led housing. Mrs McGoun advised this is not a social housing scheme, but a scheme whereby support can be given to local community groups to bring forward local housing to meet a local need. The Council proposed that an information pack is requested, prior to having an officer attend if more information was needed.

Quotation for grasscutting on Irstead Staithe. The Council approved and agreed the quotation provided by Mr S Stone at £40 per cut. Thanks is to be given to Mr Stone for the work carried out in 2018.

Neatishead and Barton Pre-School. A request was made to the Parish Council to consider a grant towards the cost of banners to advertise the pre-school, which had received outstanding rating in all categories. The Council thanked those involved with reaching such good results and agreed a grant of £60.00.

Finance:

The Clerk had omitted to report at the last meeting that two payments had been made of:
T Edmunds re tax (x 2) total of £172.00 cheque number 100814
Clerk's salary (x 2) total of £688.16 cheque number 100815

The Council approved payment to:

Zurich Municipal Insurance £528.82 cheque number 100818
Indigo Waste services Ltd £26.40 cheque number 100819

Planning:

PF/18/2275 1 Bittern Crescent - Variation of Cond 2 to amend flat roof areas at front, side and rear to pitched roof and enclose existing porch. No objections by Parish Council

IS1/18/2232 Merryfields, Pennygate - Proposed conversion of double garage to dwelling/annexe with rental option when unoccupied. No comment made by Parish Council

There being nothing further to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is planned for Tuesday February 26th at 7.30pm in the Black Shed.