

Minutes of Barton Turf Community Charities virtual meeting held on Tuesday 27th April 2021

Present on screen: G Neave, J Fletcher, M Mills, D Dean, H McFadyen, S Maxwell, A Wilton and D Bradley

No apologies required.

The Chairman welcomed A Wilton to the meeting and thanked him for expressing his interest to join the Parish Council and subsequently Barton Turf Community Charities, to follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather.

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and Trustees agreed they were a true copy of the meeting.

Matters Arising:

The Chairman proposed that the BA 24 hour free mooring lease and the Black Shed issues, other than the two updates below, should be carried forward to a further meeting as and when required.

1. H McFadyen had revised and amalgamated two letters previously drafted. The Trustees await clarification from NNDC Legal Department if the Parish Council is following S127 of the Local Government Act 1972. Clerk is to chase if nothing is heard in the next two weeks.
2. D Dean advised that Mr B Wilkins had been in conversation with Mr P French, from Canham Consultancy, who is happy to make arrangements to survey the Black Shed. The Chairman proposed that the Charity waits to receive a quotation before having the survey completed. Trustees voted in favour.
An amended Questionnaire and letter is to be sent around to everyone for approval by email.

Boat permits for 2021/22

Four residents have decided to release their parish moorings. One parishioner paid for the year's permit but after taking out the boat found it was too big a job to repair or replace. Trustees voted in favour that a full refund be given on this occasion. Four people will be sent application forms, leaving a further 6 people on the waiting list.

Data Protection Officer

The Chairman advised the Privacy Notice, sent out with the applications, stated that J Menges was DPO so therefore a new officer is needed. The proposal was for somebody with technical knowledge. J Fletcher agreed to stand. Trustees were happy to accept, and approved.

Flooding on Common

A resident who lives on the edge of the common had asked for the issue of the flooding on the common to be discussed and suggested more willow trees be planted. Suggestions were:

- Ask Mr Wilkins if he could take a look at and advise on the condition/problem when he next visits the village. D Dean is to follow up.
- Dredge the pond near the village sign and build up banks round the pond
- Put borehole down through the clay and fill with gravel

The Chairman proposed that at the forthcoming meeting with Norfolk Wildlife Trust on 10th May (linked with Wildlife East Challenge) they should be asked for their suggestions, but to bear in mind the protection of wildlife. All voted in favour.

Temporary closure of Staithe car park

The car park was reopened just prior to the fishing season ending. Car parking will be monitored when lockdown restrictions ease further in May and again in June.

Liveaboard – dogs/ car/boat

The boat, moored during lockdown at the staithe quayheading, has been moved past the end of Paddy's Lane quayheading. The dogs stay mostly on the boat, occasionally going with the owner in the car, meaning that less piles of dog faeces are currently found on the staithe. The car is without an MOT and has been reported twice to PC Gibbs. The Clerk is to chase PC Gibbs once more.

Water tap

The water tap was turned on for the start of the busy boating season on 12th April, at the first stage of the easing of lockdown restrictions.

Car park

Honesty box

The box is being welded on to a post and A Wilton will erect it on the staithe when finished. There will be no fixed charge, but donations will be requested towards the upkeep of the staithe.

Trees

A large oak tree near the bottle bank has rotten branches overhanging the car park. Three quotations are to be obtained to remove the branches.

Finance

Payments made since the last meeting

NNDC rates for Black Shed	£158.72	Cheque No. 100209
M Mills (drainage pipes on staithe)	£21.00	Cheque No. 100210
Refund of boat permit	£70.00	Cheque No. 100211
Anglian Water DDM	£18.69	
E.On (3 x DDM)	£43.12	

Monies received since the last meeting

Boat permit fees 2021/22 to date £1,585

Black Shed bookings and charges

Last charges agreed were £12.00 per half day and £20.00 per full day.

Following a discussion, the Chairman proposed that for this year bookings made for over 5 days receive a 20% reduction, due to the poor state of the interior walls, and the need for the users to clean the building prior to use. The majority voted in favour.

There being nothing further to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting.