

## **BARTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT UNTIL SIGNED**

**Present:** Chair Jones, Cllr Burns, Cllr Lee, Cllr Cross, Cllr Dobinson

**Members of the Public:** Peter Vaux, Angela Vaux, D. Dinsdale, Kim Dinsdale, Eve Hall, S Ainsley, Anita Flanagan, Peter Flanagan, Gary Woods, Mary Carr, Peter Carr, Frank White, Delia Frankland, Ken Hirst, Alastair Thorogood, Jo Sutton, George Beresford, Ava Bell, Meg Sutton-Walker, Clare Gibson, Edgar Lawson, Carole Watson

**Clerk:** Charlotte Liversedge-Gell

**27th March 2025 7.00pm AT BARTON VILLAGE HALL**

<b>112 Apologies</b> - with approval for apologies	Chair Frank Walsh
<b>113 Declaration of Interest</b> – to receive & consider then decide upon any applications for dispensation	None declared
<b>114 Minutes</b>	Minutes of the meeting held 27th February 2025 were approved and signed
<b>115 Matters Arising</b>	<p>Matters Arising from the previous meeting minutes</p> <p><b>115(i)</b> Chair Jones discussed revising the height of the grass cutting. Cllr Wool highlighted that a lot of it is cut with a strimmer. It was noted that at Beckside the cut is so low that stonework is being moved. Chair Jones elected to defer the discussion to the next meeting. Clerk to add to the Agenda</p> <p><b>115(ii)</b> Chair Jones noted that the Porch flooding concerns were addressed very quickly by NYC – it appeared to VC Jones that the drains were being rodded</p>
<b>116 Correspondence</b>	<p><b>116(i)</b> Urban Grass Cutting letter received from NYC. Clerk responded that the PC shall manage the grass cutting of the verges as in previous years.</p> <p><b>116(ii)</b> The PC were notified that from Mr Phillips that the defib pads had been used and needed replacing. There needs to be two sets of pads at all times in case one set fail. Mr Phillips replaced the pads - £71.94 cheque raised</p> <p><b>116(iii)</b> Following the Clerk raising the flooding issues on The Porch with NYC Highways, acknowledgement received that this had been passed onto the Flooding Team within the council.</p> <p><b>116(iv)</b> NYC has sent a Rent Review to the PC for the land adjacent to the School that is leased from NYC. It is currently £200 a year – NYC have asked when was it set at £200 as it does not appear to have been reviewed for some time. Clerk to investigate.</p> <p><b>116(v)</b> DL10 Bathrooms sent a quote through for the bench relocation/repair at the East end of the Village - the bench had significantly deteriorated and had red and white hazard taped by Chair Walsh and on later inspection the structure had been disturbed. Two quotes have been received – to be discussed at</p>

	<p>the next PC meeting.</p> <p><b>116(vi)</b> Email received asking for advice/permission around road closures for the VE Day celebrations being arranged within the Village. Clerk forwarded link to NYC form regarding applications for road closures for street parties/events.</p> <p><b>116(vii)</b> Clerk has been in discussions with MP Rishi Sunak Office to arrange a visit from Mr Sunak when the White Bridge Refurbishment is finished – and to coincide this with a Mardis Club Day to also be attended. The Clerk is hopeful Mr Sunak can attend. This is now on hold until we know the outcome of the Historic England decision on whether the Bridge will become listed and what this might mean for the refurbishment timescales.</p>
<b>117 Public Participation</b>	See <b>(Item 120)</b> Ashes Farm Development
<b>118 Planning</b>	<p><b>ZD25/00076/FULL</b> 9 Marygate – conservatory works. No objections</p> <p><b>ZD25/00064/FULL</b> Conversion of a derelict stable into a two bedroom house. Derelict Barn Near Barton North Yorkshire DL10 6NQ. No objections</p>
<b>119 Long Bridge Repairs</b>	<p>Cllr Lee updated the meeting that the full refurbishment of the White Bridge was on course to begin in the next few weeks after a lot of hard work from the PC – engaging with the Community and working closely with NYC Bridge Engineers to restore the Bridge in the full way it deserves.</p> <p>It has come to light that a member of the public has applied for the bridge to become a Listed Structure through Historic England. This has halted the refurbishment as we await they're decision and find out what impact that may have on future refurbishment.</p>
<b>120 Ashes Farm Development</b>	<p>The PC meeting was well attended by 22 local residents. A focused, well mannered and informative discussion took place with Mr Lawson in attendance fielding questions and providing information where possible.</p> <p>The points below summarise concerns and questions from members of the public which have also been drafted into a letter to Saddington Taylor, who are leading the development and the Public Consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Drainage and sewerage.</b> Questions were raised over where will the excess/additional water run off to? The Beck running through Barton is in question as to whether it can cope with additional water runoff and the risk of this flooding is a concern. There is also specific concern from residents of the Porch within Barton, who already have flooding on days with high rainfall due to existing inadequate street drainage. The fear is that any increased runoff from the development could exacerbate the flooding problem already experienced by those living on the Porch. Is</li> </ul>

	<p>sufficient drainage factored into the development? With regards to sewerage – are the current systems in place capable of processing additional sewerage/foul water that will be created by the development?</p> <p>• <b>Access.</b> There are concerns over the planned, single access point on Church Lane. Church Lane is regularly used by horse riders, walkers, runners, cyclists, children walking up to the Playing Fields and concerns were voiced over the increased traffic that access in and out to 32 dwellings would create. There is also a natural ‘pinch point’ in this road that can mean the need to reverse back towards the Village if you are met with a van/farm vehicle coming down towards the Village. This problem would only be exasperated with the increase in traffic going in and out of the development from one point on Church Lane. Is it possible to use the current Farm Lane opposite Marygate as a second access point – including during the construction phase as HGV’s and tradespeople traffic will be very heavy.</p> <p>There could also be a possibility with Silver Garth – it would be straight forward to connect to the new site would it be possible or permissible to flow traffic onto Silver Garth. Silver Garth opens onto Silver Street opposite the village shop.</p> <p>Another opportunity would be to run a road westward and out onto Silver Street at the existing access point opposite Tudor Lodge and the main entry into the Tower House, this is a straight stretch of Silver Street with good views in both directions for traffic and pedestrians.</p> <p>• <b>Hedgerows/habitat.</b> The plans include the removal of a hedge on Church Lane and replaced with another. The current hedge acts as a natural ‘traffic calmer’ as drivers can’t quite see around the bend of the hedge and tend to slow up. If this hedge is removed and replaced with a straight hedge this benefit would be lost as well as the established flora and fauna that currently reside in and around the hedge.</p> <p>• <b>Self Builds.</b> For the Self Build plots – if these are purchased is there a deadline/timeline as to how soon after the purchase the properties have to be built?</p> <p>• <b>Affordable Homes.</b> Can some indication be given around the price brackets that the houses are to be put on the market for? What bracket are the affordable houses going to fall within? There are concerns that there is an influx of large, detached homes that are not affordable for local residents or families that are wanting to stay in the area and to attract more younger families into the area. Are the affordable houses on the development going to actually be affordable and is there any scope to increase the number of affordable homes within the</p>
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	<p>development to meet demand?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bat and Bird boxes.</b> Could we ask for bird and bat boxes to be erected on and around the site and buildings, the older buildings provide habitat which will be lost with demolition.</li> <li>• <b>Recreational Space.</b> There is no indication of recreation space on the development, is it possible to have some contribution to the improvement/enhancement of Barton's existing sports field and or play park.</li> <li>• <b>Bungalows.</b> There are no bungalows evident on the plans. One or two bungalows would provide opportunity for older couples e.g. to free up family homes to move to single level living. Is there any possibility of these being factored in?</li> <li>• <b>Asbestos.</b> There is a considerable amount of Asbestos sheet cladding and roofing on this site we would like to ensure a plan for safe and secure removal is in place.</li> <li>• <b>Planning borders.</b> There have been some concerns over the red boundary line of the development. The plans in the recent publication show the development is smaller than the outer boundary of the Planning. Is there assurance that more houses will not be applied for to stretch out to the outer boundary? There are also concerns over whether the farm buildings and machinery will still be present/visible. Can we please have some clarification around what of the existing farm buildings/machinery will be dismantled?</li> </ul>
<b>121 25 Kettle End Easement Settlement</b>	The sale of 25 Kettle End has gone through and so has the Easement Settlement of £2000 paid to the Parish Council. It was agreed that this money should be ring fenced for any unaccounted for future expense that may arise.
<b>122 Police &amp; Crime Update</b>	<p>To review crime figures within the Parish over the previous month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 x Assault without injury</li> <li>1 x Criminal damage</li> <li>1 x Theft</li> <li>2 x Theft from vehicle</li> </ul>
<b>123 NYC Update</b>	Report from Cllr Thompson will be received next month.
<b>124 Play Area Inspections</b>	<p>A clean up of the Play Area was suggested. Cllr Wool asked when were the Jet Washers coming to do the annual clean.</p> <p>There is an annual Jet Wash clean of the Play Area but the company that usually undertakes the task has stopped.</p> <p>The Parish Council are receiving quotes from alternative companies. Failing that a community clean up could be arranged.</p>

	Clerk to update at next meeting if a new company has been located.
<b>125 Financial Matters</b>	<p><b>125.1)</b> Clerk Salary x 2 £271.36 &amp; £271.36. Stamps £6.80 Replacement Defib Pads £71.94 to Mr Phillips</p> <p><b>125.2)</b> Bank Balance: £8496.03</p>
<b>111 Next Meeting</b>	To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting due to be held on Thursday 27th April 2025 at 7pm held in the Village Hall