

Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council

MINUTES

Of the Parish Council Meeting which took place at Barnacre Memorial Hall on Wednesday 15th June 2022. 7.30pm immediately following the Annual meeting.

1. Present: Parish Councillors Commander (Chair), Fennell, Forshaw, Ibison & Marsh.
Apologies: Councillor Gorst & Councillor Howell.

2. Minutes from the regular meeting held on 16th March 2022 were discussed. **It was resolved that the Chair would sign the minutes as a correct record.**

3. **Declarations of interest – None.**

4. **Period of public discussion / chance to review Clerk's report / receive**

updates from Police, Borough & Parish Councillors re meetings, groups, visits, training courses etc - The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm:

Clerk reported that Ryan Arrell, tree officer for Wyre had recommended trees to plant to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee as: A Rowan due to the lack of space for the land at Castle Lane, but advised this was on an LCC adopted highways verge according to his mapping system and permission to plant would need to be agreed with LCC. The War Memorial at Calder Vale; A fastigiated yew, hornbeam or beech was recommended and both, should be planted in November when tree planting season recommences. The plaques for the trees have yet to be priced. Clerk will investigate and report back at the next meeting.

Councillor Ibison reported that lobbying continues for the canal tow path improvements between Garstang and Bilsborrow.

Also, of the recent canal pollution caused by slurry from a farm approx. 2km from Garstang. Oxygen levels got to 4% which killed all the fish. These levels have since increased to 20% so some species of fish can live in the waters. The environment agency is continuing works on this but have reported it will take years to get the oxygen levels back to normal.

Success report - B4RN is now complete in the area and the completion party took place in Calder Vale Country Club.

Meeting reconvened at 8:20pm.

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5. **Working group to investigate low carbon energy schemes for Calder Vale.**

Following on from the presentation received in the adjournment of the Annual meeting by Kate Gilmore, Investment Lead for Community Energy for LCC. Discussions around:

The more rural end of the Parish (Calder Vale and surrounding area) has no mains gas causing majority of residents to have unregulated heating prices. Potential use of low carbon heating - ground source which would be ideal for terraced housing (several terraces in the village) where you cluster between 5 and 15 houses which would have shared bore holes (150ft deep) to extract heat from the ground which would then run through central heating systems.

The 7 Almshouses located in the Parish on Dimples Lane run off electric storage heaters and immersion heaters so there is potential there to upgrade.

Hydro touched on but the more difficult. Kate would look at the potential on the site visit.

There are grants available from Electricity NW upto £15k, closing date is 19.07.22. If the PC wish to submit an application, Kate is happy to assist with the process. Firstly, there is need to understand what net zero ambitions the residents have in the area. It was suggested a residents' group be set up to establish this / explore.

It was resolved that Councillors Commander and Ibison would lead on this initially; meet onsite with Kate, aim to get something onto the local FaceBook pages and would send the Clerk wording to be included on the PC website.

6. **Climate Change**

This item was covered at item 5 for this meeting.

7. **Donation from the North West Stages Car Rally**

This was discussed. **It was resolved that the £500 donation be split in the following way:**

£250 to Bowland Mountain Rescue

£125 to Barnacre Memorial Hall

£125 to Calder Vale War Memorial Fund

Clerk to arrange payments to be made following the meeting.

8. **Planning applications / appeals / other planning matters**

- a. Planning application 22/00115/FUL – Conversion of garage to living space & external alterations to windows / doors @ 4 Crowther Close, Barnacre. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**
- b. Planning application 22/00324/FUL – Change of use of land for equine use and erection of timber stable block for private equine use (pursuant to variation of condition 3 (materials) on permission 21/00542/FUL @ Little Barn, Keepers Lane. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**

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- c. Prior notification 22/00307/DEM – for the demolition of an outbuilding (wooden shed) @ Howeth Farm, Bruna Hill. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**
- d. Planning application 22/00338/FUL - Proposed extension to existing motor repair & servicing workshop @ Parkhead Farm, Parkhead Lane. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**
- e. Planning application 22/00561/COUQ - Prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to 4 dwelling houses (C3) with building operations under Class Q of the GDPO @ Howeth Farm Bruna Hill. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**
- f. Tree Preservation Order (TPO) 007/2022 – Land at Garstang Community Academy, Garstang Road. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**
- g. Planning application 22/00463/FUL – Erection of a detached outbuilding to use as a garden store @ High Nook, Garstang Road. **This was discussed and it was resolved there were no comments.**

9. **Precept 2022/23**

The precept amount of £7500 has been credited to the account. This was noted.

10. **Financial transactions**

It was resolved that the Chair would sign the bank statements showing the following transactions being authorised:

Date of Bank statement	Paid IN / OUT	Paid on	Paid to	Amount £	Payment method
8 April 22	OUT	17.03.22	HMRC	15.40	FP
8 April 22	OUT	17.03.22	Councillor Fennell	156.00	FP
8 April 22	OUT	18.03.22	N Mason (Clerk's salary)	407.67	SO
8 April 22	OUT	18.03.22	Global collect (McAfee)	120.99	FP
8 April 22	OUT	01.04.22	Easy Websites	27.60	DD
10 May 22	IN	11.04.22	Precept	7,500.00	BGC
10 May 22	OUT	21 04.22	Mrs N Mason (Clerk's salary)	407.87	SO
10 May 22	OUT	22.04.22	Mrs N Mason (reimbursement MS365)	59.99	FP
10 May 22	IN	26.04.22	Donation from North West Stages Car Rally	500.00	BGC
10 May 22	OUT	28.04.22	SS Mary & Michael hall hire	45.00	FPO
10 May 22	OUT	03.05.22	Easy Websites	27.60	DD

CHQ – Cheque. SO – Standing Order. DD – Direct Debit. BACs – Bankers' Automated Clearing System. BGC – Bankers Giro Credit. FP – Faster payment.

11. **Bank statement**

The current bank balance is £11,598.55. **It was resolved this be noted.**

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12. Retrospective payments for authorisation

Payment method	To pay	For	Amount £
FP	Global Collect	2 years McAfee security subscription	120.99
FP	Mrs N Mason	MS365 Subscription	59.99

It was resolved that the above payments be authorised.

13. Payment for authorisation

Payment method	To pay	For	Amount £
BACs	LALC	Annual subscription 2022/23	447.14
FP	HMRC	Q1 – April – June inclusive	3.80
FP	Autela payroll (inv 9010)	HMRC EOY & payroll process April – June inclusive	64.04
FP	Calder Vale Village Hall	Hall hire, Community event	10.00
FP	Mrs N Mason	1 year MS365 Subscription - Total subs £112.80, £59.99 already paid (see above) but incorrect purchase made initially. £52.81 outstanding.	52.81

It was resolved that the above payment be authorised and paid when required.

11. Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 14th September 2022.

Councillor Marsh wished her apologies would be noted due to work commitments.

Meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Signed Date