

Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council

MINUTES

Of the Parish Council Meeting which took place at Barnacre Memorial Hall on
Wednesday 19th January 2022. 7.30pm.

1. Present: Parish Councillors Commander (Chair), Fennell, Forshaw, Gorst, Ibson & LCC Councillor Shaun Turner.
Apologies: Councillor Marsh due to work commitments.
2. Minutes from the regular meeting held on 17th Nov 2021 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 7:31pm:

As Cabinet member for Environment and Climate Change Councillor Turner reported LCC have signed up to the race to net zero and will report annually on what has been done. Some steps LCC had already taken to get Lancashire to net zero including improvements to streetlighting and converting them to LEDs – this should be completed by the end of Feb 22.

The County have recently been increasing the amount of electric charging points available; discussions around electric cars, EV charging hubs took place. Funding will become available to Councils for these kind of initiatives across the County.

The Lancashire Climate Summit is taking place on 10th March where leaders will consider Lancashire's next steps towards a greener future. Councillor Turner also reported that he had sent two emails to be forwarded to all via the Clerk in relation to Pedestrianisation and how it linked in with Garstang and surrounding areas and information on electric cars. All public feedback from the two will be pulled together for discussions at the Greater Garstang Partnership meeting in Feb. Pedestrianisation of Garstang high street was discussed and the pros and cons, how that could look / feel.

Discussions also took place around linking footpaths with nature & tow paths with other footpaths.

There was a lot of discussion around community energy projects; hydro, wind, solar.

The idea of hydro energy, Calder Vale was discussed previously and mentioned again along with solar panels for the Almshouses which would reduce energy bills for those residents.

Councillors thought "Climate Change" as a standard item on agendas going forward was a good idea to have discussions about the Parish and to note / scope out some ideas. Funding is available for projects and Kate Gilmot who is the LCC Officer who leads on Climate Change in the North West could be available to discuss any ideas and offer assistance.

Meeting reconvened at 8:08pm. Councillor Turner left the meeting.

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5. **Next Community event**

This was discussed and **it was resolved that the next event would take place at St Mary & Michaels Community Centre on Castle Lane, Bonds on Sat 23.04.22 and a further event at Calder Vale Village Hall on Sat 07.05.22. Councillor Forshaw was going to look at booking the venue at Castle Lane and Councillor Gorst, Calder Vale. Both events to run from 9am – 12noon. Clerk to invite contacts from Police and Fire Brigade as previous events.**

Information on Climate Change could be a topic for the events – Kate Gilmot is the lead Officer on Climate Change projects in the NW. Clerk liaise with Councillor Shaun Turner to see if she was available to attend either / both events. Cosy Homes, Lancashire was also discussed as a potential attendee who help fund households to get warmer. Clerk to reach out to this company. Councillor Fennell was looking into signage as discussed previously.

6. **Parish notice boards**

This was discussed. Councillor Fennell reported he met with Matthew to discuss the notice board at Bonds and the new board for Calder Vale. Matthew is going to put in a subsequent quote to include doors / Perspex etc. for the Calder Vale board. Councillor Fennell had a quote of £65 plus VAT for the headers for each board which will be the same. **It was resolved that the purchases should be made.** Clerk will obtain high resolution graphics of the parish logo from the website from Easy websites and pass on so the headers can be ordered. The notice board at Bonds needs tidying up - Councillor Fennell was going to source some paint etc to do this when the weather became warmer and would pass any receipts to Clerk for reimbursement.

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

- a. 21/01288/FUL – Rear Conservatory @ Fell View, Dimples Lane. This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no comments to make.**
- b. 21/01424/FUL - Retrospective application for detached veranda in rear garden @ 4 Crowther Close. This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no comments to make.**
- c. 21/01345/FUL - Alterations to existing dwelling including new window openings to all elevations, front porch extension, side canopy extension, removal of dormer peaks and addition of roof lights for 2nd floor accommodation @ Hillside Strickens Lane. This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no comments to make.**

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- d. 21/01419/LAWE - Certificate of lawful development for the existing use of a building and land as a dwellinghouse (C3), with septic tank and garden paraphernalia @ Helmsdeep Long Lane. This was discussed and **it was resolved that Clerk should send the following comment: Helmsdeep is defined in the Wyre Local Plan as agricultural or green space and has not been identified as a site / land for development.**
- e. Appeal to Application 21/00394/FUL (Appeal ref APP/U2379/W/21/3287478) - Change of use of an existing agricultural building to form pet crematorium (sui generis) @ Kelbrick Farm, Strickens Lane. This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no additional comments to make to those sent originally which will be taken into consideration.**

8. 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
10 Nov 21	OUT	18 Oct 21	Mrs N Mason (Clerk's Oct salary)	402.48	SO
10 Nov 21	OUT	01 Nov 21	Easy Websites	27.60	DD
10 Dec 21	OUT	18 Nov 21	Mrs N Mason (Clerk's Nov salary)	402.68	SO
10 Dec 21	OUT	24 Nov 21	Timothy Forshaw (2 remembrance wreaths)	40.00	FPO
10 Dec 21	OUT	24 Nov 21	Garstang Christmas lights donations	200.00	FPO
10 Dec 21	OUT	01 Dec 21	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.

9. The current bank balance of £6,395.96 **It was resolved this be noted.**

10. Clerk's salary 2022/23

This was discussed and the recommendation from the Personnel Advisory Committee was that the salary 2022/23 should be in accordance with the current NJC salary scales. The increase has yet to be confirmed nationally but once it is, payroll should be updated with the relevant figures.

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11. Precept 2022/23

This was discussed and using the precept budgeting paper was used to determine the precept amount. **It was resolved that the amount to precept for 2022/23 was £7,500.**

12. Retrospective payment for authorisation

Method	To pay	For	Amount £
FP	Autela payroll	Payroll services Oct – Dec 21	50.40

It was resolved that the above payment be authorised.

13. Payment for authorisation

Method	To pay	For	Amount £
FP	Barnacre memorial hall	Hire of hall for meetings in 2021 (5 x £25 per hire)	125.00

It was resolved that the above payment be authorised.

10. Bank statement

It was noted that the current bank balance was £6,395.96.

11. Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 16th March 2022.

Meeting closed at 8:55pm.

Signed Date