

Barrington Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting held on September 15th, 2020 by Zoom.

Present: - Councillors Rhodes-Kemp (Chairman), Bedford, Bird, Brass, Day, Kemp, McBride and Walker.

In attendance: The Clerk, RFO, SCDCllr Van de Weyer (for part of the meeting) and 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies were received from CCllr Kindersley. The two members of the public were welcomed to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest and dispensations. Cllr Walker declared a nonpecuniary interest in Item 20/1802/TTPO 20/1802/TTPO Application for Works to Trees in a Conservation Area as the tree are on his property.

Cllr McBride declared a nonpecuniary interest in Item 20 Planning application 20/03425/HFUL as it is a neighbouring property.

3. Public Forum – the two members of the public introduced themselves and explained their planning application. Cllr Day reminded them that they need to inform the Green Charity and that care needs to be taken with the size of construction vehicles as they need to be parked on the property not The Green. Further info will be sent from the Green Charity.

4. To approve the Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th August 2020. It was proposed to accept the Minutes by Cllr Walker, seconded by Cllr Bird with the following amendments Cllr Brass should be added as taking action on Item 6 and Cllr should be amended to Mr Granger in Item 9.

5. CCC (Cambridge County Council), SCDC (south Cambs District Council) and Clerk

A report from SCDCllr Van de Weyer and CCC Kindersley was circulated. The main points of which covered:

Planning

Devolution and Recovery White Paper.

Business Recovery

Waste Recycling

Zero Carbon Community Grants

Gamlingay Wood Parking:

Green End Industrial Site Development

Are you afraid of your child?

County Broadband Update

Registration opens on solar panels offer for Cambridgeshire residents

New Coronavirus rules

Road Gullies

New System at Addenbrookes

Hospital Appointments
 East West Rail
 New Police Hub in Milton
 Steeple Morden Quarry
 Green End Gamlingay - Morris Homes

SCDC Van de Weyer added at the SC offices were open but that an appointment needs to be made before visiting.

Bin collections have returned to usual levels

The pandemic has had a surprisingly low impact on finances with the majority of Council Tax and rents being paid. A business support team was set up and recruited through lockdown.

The publication of the call for sites for The Local Plan will be published tomorrow. Later in the autumn the PC will be able to comment. There are likely to be sites round Barrington.

A new group East West Rail Cambridge Approaches Action Group has been set up to liaise with the East West Rail Company.

It was mentioned that the HS2 East West Rail if it comes near Haslingfield will remove land and wildlife from the Green Belt near Chapel Hill.

SCDCllr Van de Weyer was asked his view on the sites for the local plan. He responded that growth needs to be managed in a sustainable way, that carbon impact and sustainability are becoming more important. Additionally, housing and employment are important considerations.

Engagement is required in the Local Plan and the process of forming that. This will help protect against future speculative development. Redrow is building on a brown field site that was a speculative development when the 5-year land supply couldn't be shown.

The Clerk mentioned a horse chestnut tree that requires work on The Green.

Matters Arising – to update Council on actions where no decision is required

21-07-20 Item 15 The Village Hall and the Royal Oak have been asked if they would like an Oak Tree Sapling. The Clerk has not yet received a response from the Royal Oak.

18-05-20 Item 15 Website Accessibility Requirements Cllr Brass and the Clerk have been working on this and will be able to update the council at the next meeting.

Items for consideration

6 Finance

a. To review the updated Financial Regulations. It was resolved these will be considered at a Finance Committee Meeting. As the Finance Committee chair has left the council it was agreed Cllr Brass would be appointed as the new chair. A date will be set with the committee. **Action Cllr Brass**

b. The following payments were agreed.

V/N	Description	Supplier	Total
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96	Cut of sports field Aug	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	144.00
97	Ranger Duties 21/07	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	69.30
98	Cut of Main Green, Glebe Road area, Sports Field and strimming	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	660.00
99	Cut of Sports Field 21 Aug	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	144.00
100	Cut of sports field 27 Aug	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	144.00
101	Cut of Glebe Road areas, Sports Field, Main Green 3/4 Sept 20	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	468.00
102	Cut of Glebe Road areas, Sports Field, Main Green 3/4 Sept 20	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	0.00
103	Playground Inspection 4 Sept 20	Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance	114.00
104	Street Lighting Maintenance Contract 2017-2020, Yr3 of 3	Balfour Beatty	144.00
105	Councillor Training	CAPALC	75.00
106	Payroll period ending Sept 2020 for Green Charity Barrington.	Red Shoes Accounting Service	45.00
107	Emptying of litter bins for the period 20/21	SCDC	156.00
108	Village Greens Training SLCC		78.00
109	Clerks Virtual Conference	SLCC	30.00
110-15	Salaries, PAYE, NIC, pensions	Staff	2,026.75
116	Chair's allowance April 20-Sept 20		200.00
TOTAL			£4498.05

The Clerk reminded Council that the Council should not be allocating a chair's allowance but repaying expenses. Cllr Rhodes-Kemp responded she did not require the Chairs allowance.

b. Balances and Bank Reconciliation. These were not included

c. Review of the 2020/21 budget to date. The RFO ran through the budget.

Cllr Day asked about a cheque written from the Green Charity. This has not been credited to the Council account due to some problems with Unity Trust, but it will be sent again to Unity Trust.

Cllr McBride asked if there was a budget line for the Woodland, it would then be easier to manage and know what Herts & Cambs Ground Maintenance can be asked to do. **Action RFO will discuss with Herts&Cambs Ground Maintenance.**

Cllr Brass asked if there was a possibility the second half of the precept would not be paid due to the current Corona virus pandemic. SCDCllr Van de Weyer was permitted to respond that there was not.

7. Redrow Development. Cllr Rhodes-Kemp is trying to get contact details for the Chief Executive and Chairman of Redrow. Cllr Brass reported that there had been no response from SCDC legal department either. SCDCllr Van de Weyer offered to chase this up.

It was suggested that the council write to our MP Anthony Browne as he can table a question in House of Commons. **Action Cllr Rhodes-Kemp.**

8. Report from meeting regarding pre-school provision within the village. Cllr Rhodes-Kemp and the Clerk attended a meeting with the head teacher and SC officers to discuss pre-school provision. The car park opposite the school included in the S106 agreement will not be built as a result of objections from by CCC. The school are very keen to have a pre-school included as part of the Countryside Centre planned in the neighbouring property. The opportunity was also taken to point out that there are no yellow zig zag lines outside the school.

9. Village Notice Board repairs after being blown over. It was resolved to enquire as to whether the current board can be mended and reinstalled with new legs in the car park area. The resident undertaking the work was also thanked. **Action Cllr McBride and Cllr Day.**

10. To consider the South Cambs Zero Carbon Grant and further consideration of a community orchard. It was resolved to apply for the grant for a community orchard to replace the wildflower area outside the QEII Woodland. **Action Cllr McBride and the Clerk.**

11. Highway Issues

a. Archer Bridge- there was no update from CCllr Kindersley. Options are being considered including traffic lights but as the cost is likely to be over £150,000 this may not be possible.

b. Speed Watch – the group is up and running and has a new chair. The new speed panel has been named ‘Richard’ and will be mounted on posts and seen up in the village shortly. Council wished to thank all the volunteers.

c. Replacement of school warning lights. As a result of a number of emails Highways are sending an officer to investigate exactly what warning lights there are and their location for the school.

12. Street Light energy to consider quotes from Utility Aid – the quotes have not yet been received.

13. Co-option of new councillor. A notice will be put together and included in the village newsletter. **Action the Clerk.**

14 Tree Work Quotes

a. To consider quotes for the high priority and medium priority work – no quotes have been received yet.

b. To consider the development of a woodland management plan – only one quote has been received.

15. Risk Assessments – the clerk can find no record of risk assessments and has started working on risk assessments for play areas, QEII woodland and financial risk.

After reviewing the QEII Woodland Assessment it was resolved to ban all fires in the woodland. Relevant groups will be informed, and the bricks removed by the, signs will be sourced for prohibiting fires and local groups informed. **Action the Clerk. Cllr Rhodes- Kemp and Cllr McBride**

16. Reports: The following reports have already been circulated and unless other issues had arisen were taken as read.

- a. QE11 woodland – Cllr McBride circulated a report
- b. Footpaths – Cllr Day circulated a report and a quote from Herts and Cambs Ground Maintenance for £420 for clearing Back Lane footpath. It was proposed to accept the quote by Cllr Day, seconded by Cllr Bird and agreed.
- c. Ditches – Cllr Bird circulated a report he added that at some point the Parish Council may need a meeting with Highways.
- d. Play areas – Cllr Day and to include the inspection report from Herts and Cambs Ground. Cllr Day has received a quote for £933.12 for two replacements swings and the tightening of the cable way for the zip wire. It was resolved to obtain two more quotes. Herts and Cambs Ground Maintenance will be asked again to quote for the other play area work again. **Action the Clerk**
- e. Barrington CofE Primary School- clerk there was no report
- f. All Saints – Clerk there was no report except to say the first church service has been held
- g. Challis Green Pond - Cllr Rhodes-Kemp. This is a complex issue, but the first step is to meet with the pond volunteers. It was also decided to begin to look into funding options. Action **Cllrs Rhodes-Kemp, McBride and the Clerk.**
- h. Green Charity – Cllr Day. A trustee meeting is planned for 22nd September. There was also a report that there was a car meet held on the Green last week.
- i. Traffic Calming – Cllr Rhodes-Kemp there is a meeting on 23rd September, the group is being reinstated to review the existing plan in light of the proposed new development in and around the village. Every area of the parish is represented except Orwell Road.

17. Consideration of the formation of a planning working group to look at local growth, redevelopment, and protection. It was felt that Council can influence what is happening locally rather than nationally and that this is where its focus should be. Cllr Kemp is happy to be involved but cannot lead the group. It was resolved to invite others to join a PC group and this will be an item in the newsletter. **Action Cllr Rhodes-Kemp.**

Planning

Council noted.

20/1804/TTCA Application for Works to Trees in a Conservation Area.

Proposal: T.1 Cherry - Crown reduce by 1M and thin canopy by 20% to increase light to garden and re shape tree. Site address: 1A Mill Lane Barrington CB22 7QY

The Parish Council have made no comments as it has no concerns or objections

20/1802/TTPO 20/1802/TTPO Application for Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Proposal: Remove Beech tree (T911) being forced towards the house by very large chestnut tree on Barrington Green. It will probably eventually be brushing against the house. Given the location and size of the chestnut, it is not proposed to plant any other tree in this location. Two new trees (Acers) were planted at the rear east side and a Magnolia and a Catalpa are on order and will be planted this summer on the west side of the garden

Site address: 3-5 West Green Barrington

The Parish Council have made no comments as it has no concerns or objections.

20/1789/TTCA Application for Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Proposal: T1 - Small Ash - This tree is in good health. It is however too close to the neighbour's property and is now touching the roof. Complaints have been made by the neighbour to the owner. Suggest a 2m over all crown reduction to suitable growth points where possible. This work will be done with a view to improving light below and retaining a balanced crown whilst keeping neighbour happy.

Site address: 27A West Green Barrington CB22 7RZ

The Parish Council have made no comments as it has no concerns or objections.

20/1500/TTCA Works to Trees in a Conservation Area.

Proposal: Oak ID#2

- . Manage crown for H&S Reasons
- . Remove all lower branches over grass to 2m & 4.5m over drive to raise crown
- . Remove all dead branches

Site address: Royal Oak 31 West Green Barrington.

The Parish Council have made no comments as it has no concerns or objections

20/02291/FUL Proposal: Revised boundary of new house (previously approved S/3779/17/FL)

Site address: 9 Back Lane Barrington CB22 7RF for Dean and Dean

Further to previous correspondence relating to the above matter SCDC have written to inform Council that the applicant has asked for the application to be withdrawn. Accordingly, all work on processing the application has stopped and no decision will be made

Council considered

18. 20/03388/HFUL Proposal: Demolition of an existing two storey rear extension and single storey lean-to with the erection of a two-storey rear extension and rear single storey conservatory. Alteration to fenestration including 1no window in place of an existing door and the insertion of 2no windows, 1no on the rear elevation and 1no on the east elevation. Associated remodelling to interior.

Site address: 20 West Green Barrington CB22 7SA

19. 20/03389/LBC for Listed Building Consent. Proposal: Demolition of an existing two storey rear extension and single storey lean-to with the erection of a two-storey rear extension and rear

single storey conservatory. Alteration to fenestration including 1no window in place of an existing door and the insertion of 2no windows, 1no on the rear elevation and 1no on the east elevation. Associated remodelling to interior.

Site address: 20 West Green Barrington CB22 7SA

Item 18 and 19 were considered together and it was resolved to recommend approval for the application subject to the condition that a construction traffic management plan is produced given the location and access of the site at 20 West Green to protect The Green from any damage associated with the building works.

20. 20/03425/HFUL Proposal: Erection of a single storey outbuilding and inground residential swimming pool along with associated works

Site address: 25 High Street Barrington CB22 7QX

It was resolved to object to this application as Council have received no traffic management plan and has concerns about access of vehicles across The Green and down Slid Lane which is very narrow and the damage that could be caused.

The meeting was closed at 11.15pm

Next Full Parish Council meeting dates 20th October 17th November 15th December