

# BARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Present : Cllrs Fletcher (Chairman); Alderton, Day, Gardiner, Hatton, Potter and Rhodes-Kemp. Also Mrs V Parkes (Independent internal Auditor) and Mrs V Tookey in attendance as Clerk. District Councillor Van de Weyer. Three members of the public.

1.	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Cllr McCormick due to family commitment. County Cllr Kindersley hoped to arrive later following a meeting at Gamlingay.	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> Cllr Alderton for item 7.	
3.	<b>Parish Council Vacancy:-</b> 3.1 Resignation of Mrs S Fesco recorded. 3.2 Following notification to South Cambs District Council the relevant Notice of Vacancy has been displayed. Electors have until 3 <sup>rd</sup> July to request that an election be held. Should an Election not be requested the Parish Council may move to co-option. 3.3 Council accepted Cllr Rhodes-Kemp's offer to draft a Bullying and Harassment protocol for consideration.	VT  RRK
4.	<b>Minutes of Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017</b> , having been previously circulated were signed as agreed on the proposition of Cllr Hatton.	
5.	<b>CEMEX:-</b> <u>5.1 Railway Issues</u> 5.1.1 No further update on <u>vibration concerns</u> . Liaison Group are to meet on Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July at 6.30 p.m. 5.1.2 <u>Lighting of footway</u> to rear of school and safety training for the pupils are two conditions of the current infill licence which are yet to be met. Clerk has been informed by Mr Ian Southcott that he had met with County Council and Balfour Beatty who were going to do the lighting work and re-charge CEMEX. Regarding the training he had met with the Headteacher to make arrangements. 5.1.3 Following the Annual Parish Meeting it was agreed that any <u>concerns from residents</u> should be raised via Parish Council meetings. Clerk had recently met with Mr Southcott regarding the maintenance along the <u>railway</u> line. Trees and overgrowth were not being maintained. Chairman reported that the line maintenance was controlled by the department in charge of the quarry infill and a senior manager needs to be approached. It was noted that some high level tree works had been completed – reason believed to be near the high voltage lines. Council considered that CEMEX needed to undertake remedial works as already reported to the Company and then to have a planned management programme, and not to await the building of the cycleway before doing so. Council also expressed concerns about access to railway line via the Bendyshe Way play area. 5.2 <u>Haslingfield Road Development</u> : Chairman reported latest statement was that Developer would be appointed by end of July.	ALL  VT
6.	<b>Planning Items :-</b> None received.	
7.	<b>Bendyshe Way Residents Association Agreement:-</b> BWRA had approached the Council to change the agreement dated 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2014. Currently BPC leases the land, insures and arranges grass cutting. BWRA make a donation towards the grass cutting and maintain the brick wall and wooden fencing. BWRA wished to maintain the lease arrangement but organise the grass cutting itself. Following discussion it was confirmed to the BWRA Chairman, Mr P Bird who was	VT

	present, that the Parish Council saw no merit in changing the agreement. Should BWRA wish to take these steps then the Parish Council would no longer enter into a leased arrangement	
8.	<p><b>Cambs County Council:-</b></p> <p><u>8.1 Verges Cutting:</u> Following enquiry Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council cut the verges 3 times a year within the 30 mph speed limit signage. For this BPC receives a grant from Cambs County Council (around £200 below actual costs). Cambs County Council undertakes cutting of the remainder of the verges.</p> <p><u>8.2 Footpath 7 :</u> Cllr Day reported that the path requires a surface cut and a cut back at the side. Council agreed work. Regarding FP6 Cllr Day was to contact owners to request maintenance.</p> <p><u>8.3 Footpath to Little Rivers:</u> Clerk had issued work order and anticipates work will take place mid July. Agreed to replace the litter bin with a larger one.</p> <p><u>8.4 Malthouse Way road surface:</u> Planned re-surfacing at the same time as Glebe Road and Bendyshe Way did not take place due to the very poor state of the road. Assets and Commissioning Department would need to have in the Transport Delivery Plan budget which was committed up to and including 2018/19. Highways would to continue to react to potholes or patches which are frequently being reported.</p>	<p>VT AD</p> <p>VT</p> <p>ALL</p>
9.	<p><b>South Cambs District Council:-</b></p> <p><u>9.1 Grass cutting/Trees:</u> Clerk had previously circulated details of the issues not being attended to by S.C.D.C in Malthouse Way. Tree work requested two years ago was not completed and further tree management is required. SCDC also used to cut down to the river 3 times a year but is not now doing so. Currently BPC already cuts the main grassed area. Following several councillors meeting on site a quotation was sought for a hard cut back of the nettle area and a quote to include that area within the verge cutting programme (3 times a year). On proposition of Cllr Hatton Herts and Cambs quotation of £480 for a one off cut and strim; to spray weed killer on nettles in the sum of £220; and to include in the contracted village verge cut at £60 per cut was accepted.</p> <p>Council also agreed to write to residents setting out who has responsibility for road, paths, grass etc.</p> <p><u>9.2 Cllr Rhodes-Kemp raised issue of parking spaces.</u> District Cllr Van de Weyer considered that allocation of funding was unlikely.</p>	<p>VT</p> <p>VT</p>
10.	<p><b>Financial Matters:-</b></p> <p><u>10.1 Consideration of quotation for work to Hawthorn bushes outside 27 West Green.</u> Remove elders around hawthorn tree, and also the smaller left hand side hawthorn completely to ground level. Remaining larger tree would be pollarded to section of trunk where major limbs sprout. Lower branches left as a screen or trimmed back as required. Sum of £390.00 plus v.a.t. Council agreed this should be actioned by Green Charity.</p> <p><u>10.2 Bank Balance at 6 June</u> £16,417.80.</p> <p><u>10.3 Unpresented cheques</u> 1574 : £17.49/ 1571 ; £120 /1570 :£100/ 1580: £ 100 total £337.49</p> <p><u>10.4 Cash flow summary</u> (previously circulated).</p> <p><u>10.5 Cash book summary</u> tabled.</p> <p><u>10.6 Audit statement</u> tabled.</p> <p><u>10.7 Authorisation of cheques :-</u></p> <p>On proposition of Cllr Potter the following cheques totalling £4974.81 were approved for payment:-</p> <p><u>Cheque no :-</u></p> <p>1581 HMRC NI and Tax £329.66</p>	<p>VT/ JH</p>

	<p>1582 Herts and Cambs £924.00</p> <p><i>Inv 3189 Cut Sports, main, rec areas 9.6.17 £468.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv 3190 Strim whole village 9.6.17 £168.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv 3191 Cut rec areas 16.6.17 £144.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv 3182 Cut rec areas 2.6.17 £144.00</i></p> <p>1583 Mr M Goding West Green pond expenses £ 66.80</p> <p>1584 Mrs V Tookey 4 wks salary 29.5.17 – 23.6.17 £1002.34</p> <p>1585 Mrs V Tookey Quarterly office/telephone allowance £ 130.00</p> <p>1586 Mr A Fletcher Quarterly allowance to June 2017 £ 80.00</p> <p>1587 F.O.B.S. : donation towards school resources £100.00</p> <p>1588 Community Heartbeat Trust : Annual Membership £126.00</p> <p>1589 CAPALC annual membership £296.01</p> <p>1590 Herts and Cambs £1920.00</p> <p><i>Inv3158 Ranger duties 17.5 hrs plus £55 stain £360.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv 3159 Remove fallen limb Little Rivers area £324.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv3143 Installation two grids £288.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv3144 Cut rec areas £144.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv3145 Cut rec areas £144.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv3146 Strim whole village £192.00</i></p> <p><i>Inv3147 Cut rec areas/mn grn/glebe rd areas £468.00</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total £4974.81</b></p>	
11.	<p><b>Play and Recreation Areas Report :-</b></p> <p><u>11.1 Under 5's and Challis Green Play area:</u> Cllr Day tabled her monthly inspection report. Cap to cable on cableway still to be fixed. Mr N Hardman had, as offered, painted the handrail to the MUGA a second time. Concern expressed regarding the gap created by the tree management to the willow and Herts and Cambs to be asked to erect orange safety netting until nature takes its course. Clerk to ask for Rangers help with leaves on Under 5's.</p> <p><u>11.2 Q.E. II Woodland:</u> Cllr Mc Cormick had reported an unauthorised fire in the woodland the previous week. Cllr Rhodes-Kemp to check what powers the BPC had under the Bye Laws. Clerk to arrange for more signage. Council may need to remove the fire pit. Health and Safety policy to be developed and review of Woodland Management Plan required. Clerk reported fire beaters were to be installed within the next 10 days.</p>	AD VT VT RRK VT
12.	<p><b>Barrington Green:</b></p> <p><u>12.1 Water on Green :</u> Cllr Hatton has reported the “puddles” on the Green in front of Nos. 37/39 West Green.</p> <p><u>12.2 Barrington Hall Ash Tree:</u> further branch has fallen during the high winds. Clerk had reported to Mr M Sutcliffe and requested Herts and Cambs to erect safety netting again.</p>	SH VT
13.	<p><b>Barrington Green Charity:</b></p> <p><u>13.1 Resurfacing permitted Ways:</u> Awaiting Cobbs to finalise the work.</p> <p><u>13.2 New permitted way spur:</u> Green Trustee has agreed to request for new spur to No. 5 West Green.</p>	
14.	<p><b>Parish Councillors Responsibilities within the S106:</b> Councillors confirmed the areas they wished to be involved with – as per appendix “a”.</p> <p>A general discussion followed as to the next steps for the village and the following was noted and/or agreed to action:-</p> <p>14.1 Both the School and Cambs County Council consider that the Nursery provision should be included in the redevelopment at the school. The funding is not transferable and should Happy Bunnies wish to stay at the Village hall, the Village Hall would not have the funding to ensure facilities meet Ofsted requirements.</p> <p>14.2 Barrington Social Club may wish to move to the Pavilion. But again funding would be an issue even if licensing could be obtained.</p>	

<p>14.3 Barrington Village Hall is owned by the Trustees on behalf of the Village. Reclaiming of v.a.t. is a major issue here as the money will come via BPC.</p> <p>14.4 Discussion about tendering process for the various experts, and builders etc.</p> <p>14.5 Agreed to seek villager's expertise. Clerk to action.</p> <p>14.6 Agreed to meet with the Village Hall Trustees as soon as possible. Clerk to action.</p>	<p>VT VT</p>
<p>There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.</p> <p>Signed ..... (Chairman) 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017</p> <p><b>Dates of next meetings :</b> July 18<sup>th</sup>                      August 15<sup>th</sup>                      September 19<sup>th</sup>  October 17<sup>th</sup>                      November 21<sup>st</sup>                      December 19<sup>th</sup></p>	

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