

**BARTON-ON-THE-HEATH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL on 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2018 at 6.30pm**

1. Present: Councillors: Mr J Coker (Chairman), Mrs G Cathie (Vice-Chair), Lt Col J B Henderson, Brigadier J F Rickett, Hon Treasurer: Mrs A McPherson  
Clerk: Mrs P Mead  
Public: Mr J Castle, Mr K Corner, Mr James Hayman-Joyce, Mr A Jones, Mr and Mrs J Mathias, Mr C Maynell, Mr C Seymour-Smith, Mr and Mrs A Wield and Mr E Tyzack
2. Apologies: Councillor J Piney, Lady Vanessa Bolton, Christopher Fance, and Simon Lofthouse
3. The Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
4. **Declaration of Interest:** There were no conflicts of interest
5. **Finances to date**  
The Hon Treasurer had circulated copies of the First Interim Statement as of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 prior to the meeting.

Councillor Henderson enquired why the payment of £103.99 to Alex Ward was higher than last year. It was noted that the part of invoice included renewal for services for two years and would be treated as a pre payment for next year's expenses.

6. **Planning applications**  
The following planning applications had been received:  
**18/001/TREE** - Campden Farmhouse - tree works. Barton PC fully supported this application to fell the Leylandii and replace with native hedge and reduce the height by approx 3m to height of approx 25ft of the Lombardy Poplars. It is also planned to remove small conifers within the poplars and Stratford DC had approved.  
**18/00013/VARY** - Henmarsh House - vary planning application 06/12337/FUL - new porch and new garage. All Barton PC councillors agreed that the new design was an improvement and had less impact on the surroundings and therefore they unanimously supported the application, with all in favour. Stratford DC had approved with conditions  
**18/00353/FUL** - Rainbow Farm - erection of single storey pool building. Barton PC had supported this application following a site meeting and Stratford DC had approved with conditions.  
**18/00561/TEL28** - Installation of telephone cabinet. Barton PC supported this application  
**18/00657/FUL** - Stanbrook House - Erection of stables with change of use from agricultural land to equine land. Barton PC supported this application as it was in keeping with the house. Decision from Stratford DC pending  
**18/00794/LBC** and **18/00792** - Old Rectory - works to detached ancillary cottage - construction of car port, reconfiguration of fenestration and construction of two dormer windows. PC comments sent: the Councillors had always understood and supported the refurbishment of the ancillary cottages. Having visited the site, they remain in support of this application Decision from Stratford DC pending
7. **Stopping Up Order** - James Hayman-Joyce informed the Parish Council that he was applying for this from the Highways Department as he owned both sides of the road at the bottom of the lane to Bakers Farmhouse. It was understood that this was a lengthy process as it had to go before a Magistrate and formal notifications had to be made. The matter would be fully considered by the Parish Council when they are finally Consulted by SDC in the usual way.
8. **AOB**  
Mr E Tyzack (Architect) was present on behalf of Mr & Mrs Parkin as questions had been asked about access by heavy lorries to Rainbow Farm when the works there was undertaken. It is understood that the works are planned to start in late Summer. It was

intended to use the lane near to 1 New Cottages for access. It would have a temporary surface installed and the track would be reinstated once the works were completed.

The 2 storey extensions for which permission had already been granted would be done at the same time as the single storey pool building.

The meeting was told that Jamie Bastable had been cleaning the village once a week for 3 months for his Duke of Edinburgh qualification. The Chairman asked for the thanks of the Parish Council to be passed on to him as he has been doing an excellent job.

GDPR: All communications to the village would be sent out by blind copy but those to the Councillors would be visible.

Mr Adrian Wield informed the meeting that he had been in communication with the Forestry Commission as it was understood that if someone owned ancient woodland where felling was required, an application had to be made to the Forestry Commission. The Forestry Commission has authority to decide one way or other and that decision should be placed in the public domain for one month. However, unless someone happened to spot that permission had been sought, then works could be carried out without the knowledge of those living nearby. Mr Wield had suggested that in future the Forestry Commission inform the Parish Clerk so that those living nearby could be informed by the Clerk and any necessary action taken. It is understood that at Hopyard Farm works had been carried out under licence. The Councillors were all in favour of this action.

It had been noted that the monument in the village green was in need of cleaning and and it was agreed that a quote from a stonemason would be sought.

There had been a number of bursts from the water main from Barton to Long Compton and it was understood that the Water Board were considering putting in new mains. the Chairman should be informed prior to this taking place and the trenches technique should be used in order to speed the process up.

John Castle was invited to give the village an update on Super-Fast Broadband which it is hoped will be available towards the end of this year.

**8. Date of next meeting:**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm