

Minutes of Barningham Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd August 2016 at 7:35pm in Barningham Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs: C Hammond, E Sier, M Dolan, J Crittall, R Baxter, Cllrs S Lusher, W Martineau, C. Cllr J Spicer & B. Cllr Bull

1. Apologies for absence.

2. Members Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: None.

3. Minutes - Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 6th July 2016 signed and approved as a correct record.

Meeting Adjourned

4. Meeting open to the public

Graham Bloomfield and Antony Palmer from Pigeon Development came to discuss their latest planning concept for Barningham. They hoped the new concept plan reflected the discussion from the previous meetings and they would look forward to taking this plan forward for public consultation. In the new plan housing by Lingwood Close is shown as being replaced by a carpark and a play area and there are now two areas for self-build and a bungalow scheme. They are in 'live' discussions with SCC regarding the road layout. Residents from Hepworth Road expressed concerns about the increase of traffic on to Hepworth Road. The new plan for the hall shows a smaller meeting room in addition to the larger hall. There was considerable opposition from the residents present and it was recognised that in order for this scheme to progress it would need community support. The Parish Council will not be able to make any formal comments until such a time a more detailed plan, including the number of homes proposed, is put forward. With this in mind, it was felt an extended discussion on the proposal would be beneficial and as such Pigeon will be arranging a public consultation sometime in the near future to address concerns in more detail.

Cllr Spicer is going to meet with a resident, Mr Milton, to discuss traffic concerns in Bardwell Road.

5. Report of County Councillor: J Spicer

Following on from comments in the public forum, and concerns over traffic on Hepworth Road, Cllr Spicer is going to look at the possibility of having a 7.5-ton restriction placed on Hepworth Road. It is considered a distinct possibility as this was to be a condition if the Ikea application at Shepherds Grove had gone ahead. Cllr Spicer will investigate further. Cllr Spicer noted that the Clerk has been in correspondence regarding the VAS posts and traffic calming from Hopkins Homes. It was noted that any suitable posts could be used to mount the VAS as long as the criteria for use was met. Cllr Spicer will confirm what this criterion is.

Action Cllr Spicer

6. Report from B. Councillor: C Bull

Cllr Bull reported that SEBC should be hosting some planning training soon. Cllr Bull told the Councillors about a Big Lottery Grant of between £300 and 10000 for one off events to celebrate the local community. This could possibly be used for the official opening of the Cricket Meadow. Cllr Bull has recently attended an event that looked at ways to prevent radicalisation. It offered ideas on how to identify people in the community who are discontented and offer them help. It is hoped that this will be an agenda item at the next West Suffolk Parish Conference.

7. Police Report

The PCC and Chief Constable will attend public meetings linked to the 18 SNT areas. No need to book, just turn up to hear a policing update for your area and ask questions if you wish. All meetings start at 6.30pm.

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The Clerk circulated the latest newsletter, via email, to the Councillors

Meeting reconvened

8.1. Chairman

8.1.1 The Chairman reported that there has been an increase in distraction burglaries and people need to be on their guard.

8.2 Clerk:

8.2.1 Councillor training. To confirm date for training and items for agenda.

The date for councillor training was confirmed for 1st October from 10-2, it was asked that an update on planning was included.

Action Clerk

8.2.2 Bench, outside shop

The Clerk has written to the shops head office about placing a bench by the noticeboard. She is still awaiting a reply.

Action Clerk

8.2.3 Highway matters. Update on issues in the village.

SCC are having problems locating the reported flooding at Pound Corner. The Clerk will forward contact details for both Cllr Hammond and Sier so that a site meeting can be arranged.

8.2.4 Streetlight, B1111, meeting with resident

The Clerk has written to the residents close to the proposed light and has received back a request, from the resident of Bramley Cottage, to have another site meeting to discuss the exact position so we can ensure it does not shine directly into her bedroom window. The Clerk has contacted SCC to ask for another meeting before the light is installed. She will confirm this on her return from holiday.

Action Clerk

9 Finance.

9.1 Payments The following payments were approved and the cheques signed by two signatories.

9.1.1 S Wilson, Village Caretaker for July	101575	£234.18
9.1.2 V Gay, Clerks wages for June	101576	£863.84
9.1.3 V Gay, Clerks Expenses, June	101577	£42.96
9.1.4 HMR&C Tax	101578	£169.12
9.1.5 M Bleay, village tree works	101579	£270.00
9.1.6 Jackamans, solicitor cricket meadow	101580	£569.00
9.1.7 Vertas, cricket meadow	101581	£511.03
9.1.8 LCPAS, training	101582	£50.00
9.1.9 Gb Sports & Leisure	101583	£188.40

10. GP Surgery at Hopton.

The application, including the surgery, is on target to be approved at the August planning meeting. A Suffolk Health Scrutiny meeting was held yesterday with no representatives from Hopton Doctors and the NHS Clinical Commissioning Group apologising for letting us down. There is a list of recommendations including challenging the NHS decision making process, these include concerns around poor communication, lack of doctor's notice given, dispensing and patient participation worries.

Hopton Parish Council and Village Hall committee have identified a way forward with surgery, offering to build it but that will be dependent on doctors coming forward to use the building. The next meeting of the Community Action Group will be held in September.

11. Cricket Meadow.

The date for installation has been confirmed as beginning 8th August and will take approx. 2 weeks. As the Clerk will be unavailable the contractors need a point of contact, this will be Cllr Sier and Hammond. Regarding the date for the official opening, the Clerk has been in contact with Lauren Miller White to ask for guidance on this event, so far she has not had a response and Cllr Bull has offered to help with this aspect.

The replacement basketball back board has been received and is ready for installation.

Action Cllrs Sier/Hammond/Bull

12. Review of Emergency plan

The date for the working party meeting was confirmed as 13th September, 7:30 at Cllr Baxter's house.

13. Village Hall / Sandy Lane Parking

To discuss outcome of meeting with residents and Cllr Bull.

The Clerk and Cllr Bull met with some residents of Sandy Lane to discuss the issue with parking. One possible solution would be to clear the trees on the green piece in front of the village hall. It is understood that this land belongs to St Edmundsbury. The Clerk has obtained a quote for removing the trees at £780. Cllr Bull has been unable to speak to the officers at SEBC, due to annual leave, and so this item will be deferred until the necessary information has been gathered.

Action Cllr Bull

14. Neighbourhood Plan

The date for this training was confirmed as 27th September at 7.00 at Cllr Hammonds house.

15. Update on Community Speed watch and Aggies Piece:

The Clerk confirmed that Aggies Piece has been cut and cleared. A request was made for a new dog litter bin. The Clerk will check if this can be added to SEBC collection route and look at options to purchase.

Action Clerk

16. Councillors reports and items for future agenda

It was asked if Councillors ideas and aspirations could be put on a future agenda.

Action Clerk

Overgrown brambles are causing concern on the footpath adjacent to 40 Millfield. The clerk will write to the homeowner and ask them if they could arrange to have them cut back.

Action Clerk

The brambles at the bottom of the Sandy Lane footpath need cutting back. The Clerk will ask Steve Wilson to cut them back.

Action Clerk

Brambles are causing concern outside Holly Cottage. The clerk will write to the homeowner and ask them if they could arrange to have them cut back.

Action Clerk

TNT are still speeding through the village. The Clerk will write again to TNT to express our concerns.

Action Clerk

Cllr Martineau reported that there is renewed interest, from SCC into the problem with flooding in Bardwell Road.

17. Caretakers report

There has been a lot of minor landscaping this month with trimming at the elevated path, Aggie's Piece, Sandy Lane, the coppiced bank and around the bins at the Spar corner and on the Cricket Meadow. The elevated path has been weeded and swept. I also dismembered and removed a large fallen branch from the grass at the St Andrew's Close corner.

I spent a good deal of time rectifying a loose plank on the bridge section of the multi-play unit in the Play Area. One of the bolts had worked loose and, because of the poor original design, it ultimately had to be sawn off and replaced. With time I expect several more to need attention; fortunately, I have a stock of replacement bolts and a better idea of how to proceed.

18. Cemetery

No report

19. Planning Matters

19.1 DC/16/1551/COMPLI | Confirmation of discharge of Conditions re Planning Permission SE/13/0210/FUL dated 20 December 2013 | Heather House, Iris House, Clematis House, Snowdrop House Hopton Road, Lingwood Close. Barningham Suffolk, IP31 1EF And 1 And 3 Lingwood Close, Barningham IP31 1FB

19.2 DC/16/1402/HH DC/16/1402/HH | Householder Planning Application - Single storey front and rear extensions | Woodcroft Sandy Lane Barningham IP31 1BX. **Although the Parish Council has no objection in principle, concerns were raised over how close the new rear extension would be to the neighbouring property on the NW side.**

20. Correspondence for information The following was available for inspection and was circulated after the meeting:

20.1 Vision 2031

20.2 SALC, Local Council

20.3 SEBC, Parish Conference, November Newmarket, 14th November

20.4 UK Power Networks: '105'.

20.5 Highways Matters – Edition 7 & 8

20.6 SALC, Local Councillor.

20.7 Suffolk Prepared Newsletter.

21. Playing Field (Cricket Meadow) Legal date 2nd February 2014 to 1st February 2015.

22. Date of next meeting: 7th September 2016

23. To consider the exclusion of the public and press in the public interest for consideration of the following items:

23.1 Personnel Issues. None

23.2 Legal Issues. None