

Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council

MINUTES

Of the meeting which took place on Wednesday 14TH October 2015 at Barnacre Memorial Hall.

1. **Present:**

Councillors Commander, Forshaw, Gorst, J Ibison, T Ibison, & Marsh.

Apologies:

Councillor Howell.

2. **Declaration of interests**

- Councillor Forshaw declared interest in item 6 relating to WI, item 9 relating to planning application 15/00815/FUL - 10 Broad Oak Avenue & planning application 15/00788/FUL on Clerk's report.
- Councillor T Ibison also declared an interest in planning application 15/00788/FUL on Clerk's report.
- Councillor Howell sent declaration of interest with his apology for item 9 relating to planning application 15/00813/FUL - 1 Brooklands Drive.

3. **Minutes**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on 22nd July 2015 having been circulated previously be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. The meeting was adjourned for a period of public discussion, giving members the opportunity to update on any meetings attended, to make any comment on the Clerks report & to receive any updates from both Borough & County Councillors.

Adjourned 7.35pm and reconvened 8pm.

Lancashire County Councillor Sandra Perkins sent her apologies and regards to all to the meeting. The following update was received and read out: The household Waste Recycling Centre is proving to be welcome and a success. The shop is popular on site. Awareness of the action group set up in Garstang to oppose the building of a five storey block of 34 flats with only 14 parking spaces on the riverside car park. This will rob the town of its only river view and reduce car parking spaces by nearly half when extra spaces needed by the flats are taken. Also the planned replacement of the Council Offices by a glass and stone building will be out of keeping in the conservation area. The action group would appreciate support to oppose plans. And if there are any matters arising that she can assist with, she is more than happy to help.

Borough Councillor J Ibison informed the PC that there are still issues with the wind turbine at Helmsdeep not going round. Wyre enforcement Officer Charlotte Parkinson is aware of this. It is being monitored. Also, noted that the PC objection to the temporary workers accomodation application was not showing online, although we did have an objection. The application has now been disallowed, but we need to ensure in future objections show online. The proposed development of a five storey block of flats near the river / council offices car park was mentioned again. The Chairman did say that Councillors could get involved with the action group individually if they wished to, but from the Parish Council perspective, the proposed plan was to be noted but because the scheme does not come under our remit the Parish Council wouldn't engage.

SignedChair

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Councillor Ibison is attending a “Shaping your neighbourhood” meeting and asked if there was anything / projects in or around the Parish to consider? The Calder Vale Country Club car park was mentioned. There is ongoing issues with parking in the village, especially around the time when Bluebell Teas are on in May, festival, walkers etc and there is no community parking in the village itself. Nicky Mason mentioned that the Club had been approached sometime ago and did appreciate this fact and would consider taking down the private parking sign and with assistance would look into forming a working group within the village / area of representatives from different groups and start applying for grants etc to change it into a community car park and make it more appealing to the eye on entering the village, but the club would retain ownership of the land. N Mason has, on behalf of the club tried to obtain a grant but unsuccessful. This is something that will be re visited in the new year and so asked if Councillor Ibison could perhaps mention it at the meeting.

5. **Thank you letter from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team**

It was resolved that this letter be acknowledged and noted as received.

6. **Letter from Calder Vale WI**

This item was deferred from the last meeting. Councillor H Forshaw had produced a report which was distributed to all. Due to donations from other areas having been received and works already carried out, the War Memorial fund has a healthy working balance currently of £550.89 for ongoing maintenance. Therefore **it was resolved that a donation to the cause at this point in time was not appropriate.**

7. **Personnel Committee review**

Members of this committee were discussed. Peter Woods needed to be replaced. After discussion, **It was resolved that the committee members were Councillor T Ibison, Councillor Howell and Councillor Commander and that a meeting of this committee should take place between now and the January meeting to discuss cClerk’s contract of employment and salary figure for 2016/17 ahead of precept. Clerk to liaise with Councillor Howell to agree time / date / venue for the meeting, agenda etc.**

8. **Appointment of Vice Chairman**

This was discussed. **It was resolved that Councillor H Gorst would be Vice Chairman to the Parish Council. Nominated by Councillor J Ibison and seconded by Councillor J Marsh. All agreed.**

9. **Planning matters**

- Planning application 15/00813/FUL – Single storey rear extension, demolition of existing garage and car park and the erection of a garage to side extension @ 1Brooklands Drive. **It was resolved that there were no objections to this application.**
- Planning application 15/00815/FUL – Erection of two storey-side extension and rear dormer window @ 10 Broad Oak Avenue. . **It was resolved that there were no objections to this application.**

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10. Identifying the next phase of the undergrounding of obtrusive power cables in Forest of Bowland AONB

A letter has been received detailing how the programme works. This was distributed to all prior to the meeting. It was discussed and **resolved that there were no suggestions for the Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish to submit. It was agreed that the Clerk should upload the relevant information to the website for the public to have the opportunity to propose local obtrusive power lines for removal.**

11. Removal of grit bins from winter maintenance priority carriageway routes

Notification has been received that the following grit bin in the Parish was to be removed – Road C428. Strickens Lane, Oakenclough. Up hill from Delph Lane junction. Easting 353580. Northing 447548. It was discussed and **resolved that there were no issues with the removal of this as long as there was assurance from Wyre that the current service of gritting that road continued. Clerk to respond accordingly.**

12. GTC Saturday Surgery

Garstang Town Council held a Saturday Surgery recently and residents from Barnacre-with-Bonds attended. They were very concerned with workers from Garstang parking outside their house, making it very difficult to get in and out of their driveway. They were also concerned about the cars parking between Castle Lane and the church making it difficult for traffic along that stretch of road. An accident is inevitable. They queried whether or not a parking restriction could be enforced here. The Clerk from GTC passed this information on for progression. This was discussed and it was acknowledged that in previous years there have been similar issues / concerns and the police did monitor the situation. No parking restrictions were able to be put into place though. **It was resolved that as this is a traffic police issue, Clerk was to contact the police and bring this to their attention again. Clerk is also to contact the residents who expressed their concerns and update them.**

13. Financial

It was resolved that the following financial bank statements be noted: Building Society account balance is £1,412.37 (7 October bank statement) & Clerk's salary account balance is £1,939.00 (10 September statement)

14. Meeting dates for 2016

It was resolved the meetings in 2016 would take place on the following dates:

Wed 20.01.2015

Wed 13.04.2015

Wed 18.05.2015

Wed 13.07.2015

Wed 12.10.2015

Clerk to ensure these dates are uploaded to the website and notify Peter Woods to ensure that Barnacre memorial hall is booked in advance.

Meeting closed at 9 pm.

Signed

Chair

Date