

Barsham Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 19th March 2018 at East Barsham Village Hall

In Attendance

Andrew Ross (Chairman) Barry Sampson (Vice Chairman) Grace Howlett Robert Fletcher James Goodley Stuart Laws (Councillors)

Tracey White (Clerk)

County Councillor Marie Strong

District Councillor Tom Fitzpatrick

1. Welcome by the Chairman at 7.30pm
2. Apologies received and accepted from Ruth Loades
3. No dispensations or declarations of interest received from any members present.
4. Meeting adjourned by the Chairman to hear from Councillors present.

Marie Strong

- The Stage Coach services were to cease but Sanders Coaches were taking over many of their routes. Details on www.norfolk.gov.uk/stagecoach

Tom Fitzpatrick

- Has stepped down as Conservative Group Leader, Council in no overall control
- There was to be an increase in council tax, band D for first time in seven years
- National Local Government and People and Places, push for rural voice to be heard particularly for funding for mobile and broadband signals, Norfolk presently has about 90% coverage
- Looking for feedback on accessing planning applications through the portal

5. Meeting reconvened by Chairman

6. Minutes of Meeting held on the 15th January agreed by all present and signed by the Chairman

7. Matters arising (for information) from the Minutes of the 15th January

- Allotments. No current issues
- Patch Lane. 4x4 vehicles still using the area. Proposal to move fencing when this is replaced to narrow access

- Manor. Email received from NNDC Enforcement that recent activities had been monitored but that it was deemed there was no breach and the case had been closed
- Grays Lane. Tom Fitzpatrick reported that he had chased the enforcement team, but that this was more a Highways issue as any obstruction in the road needs a Licence
- Broadband. As reported by the Councillors in their report above
- Playing field. Pest controller for mole catching has been contacted, works on a fixed rate basis of £18-£20 per visit which was agreed. Need to confirm when Norse do their first cut

8. Shrine Traffic. The Chairman had produced an outline of the concerns raised at the Parish Council meeting in November. Marie Strong had concerns that there needed to be more certain definition of 'large pilgrimage'. Looking at data supplied by the Shrine there were a few dates which had expected coach number of 40, which was double that of other pilgrimages. It was decided that a date rather than the wording 'large pilgrimage' should be used to define those which the Parish Council conceded would need to pass out through North Barsham and back to the Dry Road to aid the flow of traffic. There was no data from the Shrine for car traffic. It was felt that details of the Parish Council's proposals regarding the Shrine traffic should go onto the website so that parishioners could be kept up to date with current proposals for solutions.

9. Speeding through Houghton St Giles. To chase David Laws at Wymondham Police as to whether there was any date set for speed monitoring

10. No further update on installation of defibrillators

11. Agreement reached upon style of bench to be installed in memory to the late Phyllis Bowes. James Goodley would collect this from the Garden Centre and arrange the engraving once name/dates confirmed. The chairman had spoken with Phyllis son and it was agreed that the cemetery was the best location for the bench

12. Planning application, PF/18/0273, 13 Hillside, demolition of existing single storey extension and erection of single storey side and rear extension. No objection

13. Financial Matters, payments agreed

NNDC Waste Sacks	£57
CAN Membership	£20
NARS Donation	£50
The Milestone Society Donation	£50

14. Correspondence

- Clerks & Councils Direct March 2018 2
- Eastlaw GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)
- NNDC Chargeable Waste and Recycling
- NARS Request for donation
- HAGS Catalogue
- Glasdon Catalogue


All items circulated

15. Announcements.

- Robert Fletcher. Other villages seems to have reinstated bottle banks which used to provide a good income for the Parish Council. Clerk to look into this
- Barry Sampson. The barriers at side of Village Hall are being knocked over to allow access to the rear of the Hall. Felt stronger barriers needed and also better chain across the access to prevent unauthorised access

16. Date of next meeting, which will be the AGM, 21st May 2018

Meeting closed by the Chairman at 8.46pm

Chairman.  Date. 21/5/2018