

Minutes of the meeting of Barton Stacey Parish Council held at 19.30 pm on Tuesday 16th January, 2024 at Barton Stacey Village Hall.

Meeting opened at 19.30pm. Cllr Oliver opened the meeting. **Present:** Cllr D Oliver, Cllr D Clark, Cllr C Coates, Cllr S Akroyd, Cllr K Bennett, Cllr A Sherwood, Cllr C Sherwood **Also present:** Clerk – Jo Gadney, County Councillor/Borough Councillor – Cllr David Drew. **Members of Public 0**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION For ten minutes residents are invited to address the Parish Council, for a maximum time of three minutes, to make comment on items on the agenda or raise matters for consideration at a future meeting.

26.14 To receive and accept apologies for absences –No apologies received from Cllr Tickner.

26.15 Declarations of Interest – To receive and record declaration of interest on the agenda – Cllrs A Sherwood & Cllr Clark – as allotment plot holders they will leave the room for item 7a.

26.16 Minutes of the previous Meeting

To approve the minutes of the full council meeting dated 21st November 2023. Proposed and resolved. Cllr Oliver signed the minutes.

26.17 Councillor reports

Cllr Cheryl Sherwood commented on the state of the parish roads. Flooding on Cocum Lane with water coming off the fields. Potholes need to be reported. Can the sign opposite church about single track lane with passing places be moved further along Bullington Lane. The passing places are covered in pot holes too along Bullington Lane. Clerk will speak to Highways. Cllr Alec Sherwood mentioned that the MOD are working on/repairing the garages on Roman Way. He also confirmed that he attended the TVBC planning meeting re the Fortis planning application which was given consent. He did confirm that Fortis will be expanding this site in the future. Cllr Clark wants to formally write to Cllr Adams-King about the state of the Highways mainly regarding pot hole reporting and then HCC coming back saying nothing needs to be done, with no way to appeal this. Cllr Clark to draft a letter. School path is getting worse – Clerk to chase this with HCC. HCC have a new policy approach to the 20mph restriction. Cllr Akroyd confirmed a large tree blocking the Bridlepath into Bransbury Common from Newton Lane. Clerk will tell the landowner.

26.18 The Borough and County Councillor's reports

To receive a written or verbal report from:

a)Borough Councillor – Cllr Drew wanted to amend pothole reporting document to include impact for 2 wheel vehicles, but for some reason HCC didn't want this. He also said that soakaway/jetting should be done in the summer months to avoid it all needing to be done during flooding/winter. Household DIY waste charges at Hampshire HWRCs to end from 1 January for depositing DIY waste. Hampshire residents and communities are making a significant difference in the drive to tackle climate change, by taking part in Hampshire County Council backed community initiatives and making changes in their own homes and lifestyle choices. Hampshire County Council has today confirmed that payments to local residents hosting Ukrainian nationals as part of the Government's Homes for Ukraine scheme will continue for a third year, from 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025. The votes have been counted and verified, and Hampshire Youth Parliament now has seven new Members, and Deputies, for the next two years. In total, more than 5,000 11–18-year-olds in Hampshire came forward to vote for their local representatives in the UK Youth Parliament. Learners and apprentices develop the 'skills to live successfully' thanks to teaching and training programmes provided by Hampshire County Council. A Hampshire County Council Trading Standards operation has found two shops in the Aldershot and Havant area selling vapes illegally to underage buyers Trading Standards continue to regularly visit businesses to ensure that retailers are complying with the law and that the correct measures are in place to prevent underage sales of vapes and other age restricted products. If a business is found to be selling to people under the legal age, they will be investigated which could lead to a criminal prosecution.

b)County Councillor – TVBC have produced a free business guide as well as a guide for events taking

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place in various nature reserves and open spaces. The Rural England Prosperity Fund has £500,000 for projects for rural businesses. The Chantry Centre has numerous business units at Incuhive. The Lights has got the go ahead through a grant to be moved to a more central location on the high street. Cllr Clark asked Cllr Drew about some vehicles which have arrived on some land in the parish. Suggested contacting Enforcement at TVBC.

26.19 Finance

a) To receive and approve November and December 2023 monthly financial statement. Proposed and approved statement. Cllr Coates checked and signed the bank statements and schedule.

Treasurers A/c

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| Opening balance as at 1 Nov 2023 | | £10,505.48 |
| Payments received November | £1860 | |
| Payments cleared November | £5516.70 | |
| TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 3 Dec 2023 | | £6,848.78 |

BUSINESS INSTANT A/C

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| Opening balance as at 1 Nov 2023 | | £76,593.43 |
| Payments received November | £75.24 | |
| Payments cleared November | £1315 | |
| TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 3 Dec 2023 | | £75,353.67 |

Treasurers A/c

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| Opening balance as at 3 Dec 2023 | | £6,848.78 |
| Payments received December | £1062.70 | |
| Payments cleared December | £910.97 | |
| TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 1 Jan 2024 | | £7,000.51 |

BUSINESS INSTANT A/C

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| Opening balance as at 3 Dec 2023 | | £75,353.67 |
| Payments received December | £187.62 | |
| Payments cleared December | £0 | |
| TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 1 Jan 2024 | | £75,541.29 |

Invoices paid since the last meeting

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| HMRC | £7.87 |
| Clerks salary | £808.40 |

Invoices yet to be paid

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| BS Village Hall 39,42 | £32.00 |
| Greensmile 10870 10917 | £1091 |
| Giles Architect | £7392.00 |
| Clerk's salary | £808.40 |
| HMRC NI contribution | £7.87 |
| Larkstell | £540.00 |
| Clerks officers update HALC | £12 |
| SLCC membership | £148.00 |
| Total | £10,031.27 |
| Total estimated balance | £72,510.53 |

b) Discuss/agree actual v budget as of 31 December 2023 – went through both income and expenditure. Proposed and agreed. Cllr Oliver signed the spreadsheets.

c) Discuss/agree bank reconciliation as of 31 December 2023 – Proposed and agreed. Cllr Oliver signed the document.

d) Budget: review and approve budget for 2024/5 and confirm precept figure. Draft budget was

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discussed. After some deliberation it was agreed to confirm the precept as £22,493.70. This would increase the band D tax levy from £52.90 to £55.54 which is a 5% increase from last year. Proposed and approved. Cllr Oliver signed the spreadsheets. There is an additional spreadsheet for the pavilion this year so everything is open and transparent. At the end of March the clerk will also ensure that the reserves bank account only holds the pavilion reserves, again for additional transparency.

e) Discuss/agree BSPC Risk Assessment and Business Continuity. Proposed and approved the documents. Cllr Oliver signed the documents.

f) Discuss/agree tree work quotes and to use ring-fenced reserves for payment. Proposed and agreed to go with the quote totalling £950 plus VAT but work on the recreation ground to wait until the ground is drier and to use ring-fenced reserves to pay the invoice.

g) Discuss/agree planning application for pavilion project costing £1220 plus VAT. The PC would like the working party to come and present at the next Full Council meeting to update the council on developments before any decision is made. Proposed and agreed.

h) Discuss/agree using ring-fenced tree reserves for hedge cutting of allotments costing £450 plus VAT. Proposed and approved.

26.20 Parish Matters

a) Discuss/agree mole work at allotments - £130 plus VAT. Proposed and approved not to go ahead with the works.

b) Discuss follow up regarding parking around the parish and communication from a resident from the Green. Cllrs Akroyd and Sherwood will attend a meeting at the Primary school and nursery on Wed 17 September to discuss what can be done. The parking on the pan handle and surrounds on the Inset day before term started in January was not acceptable.

c) Confirm date for the Annual parish assembly – Tuesday 26th March 2024. Proposed and approved. JG to confirm with Hazel Compton. Suggested ideas to try to attract more residents. Village champion, grant cheques awarded to groups who have had grants within the year. Visiting speaker – suggested someone from the policing team or River keeper or someone from Middleton Estates. Put an invite into the WDN for March.

26.21 Community bus

The idea for this would be the setting up of a CIC – separate from the parish council. Suggested to hold another Open Meeting to tell residents about this and also gauge people's thoughts on the pavilion project too.

26.22 Clerk's report

Clerk confirmed to the council about both the Hampshire Minerals Waste plan and it's partial update and also the Hampshire consultation. The PC will comment on the Hampshire consultation and it will be discussed at the February meeting. A donation of approx. £1175 will be donated to the pavilion project following the Dever Dip and Christmas tree disposal service kindly organised by One Two Tree.

Meeting Closed: 21.25

Next Meeting: Tuesday 20th February, 2024