

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

Meeting opened at 19.30pm. Cllr Oliver opened the meeting. **Present:** Cllr C Coates, Cllr C Sherwood, Cllr A Sherwood, Cllr D Oliver, Cllr D Tickner, Cllr S Akroyd **Also present:** Clerk – Jo Gadney, County/District Councillor – Cllr David Drew. **Members of Public** 1

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.

26.48 To receive and accept apologies for absences –Apologies from Cllr K Bennett and Cllr D Clark. Proposed and accepted.

26.49 Declarations of Interest – To receive and record declaration of interest on the agenda – none

26.50 Minutes of the previous Meeting

To approve the minutes of the full council meeting dated 19th March, 2024. Proposed and resolved. Cllr Oliver signed the minutes.

26.51 Councillor reports

Cllr Tickner said there is no update from the Gigabit voucher scheme. Cllr Akroyd attended the inaugural meeting of the Pan Parish River Pollution (PPRP) Forum hosted by Houghton PC. Many knowledgeable people attended and the hope is to have more clout as a group regarding river pollution. A website has been set up - www.hugofox.com/community/pan-parish-river-pollution-forum-20614/home/. Cllr Sherwood noted that trees have been painted on MOD land at bottom of Roberts Road – presumably for tree work to take place. The MOD fence has now also been mended on Roberts Road but not the one by the garages. Cllr Oliver said how well the Annual meeting of council went last month with so many groups and parishioners attending. The library/coffee morning was busy again last weekend and the History Group also attended selling their new booklet. Peter Wood is updating the business map but there have been issues as Wayne W was responsible for the bank account and following his death nobody could access the bank account. Apparently there is no money in the account so the History Group are happy to have a sub account for monies that will come in from advertisers. PC are happy with that.

26.52 The Borough and County Councillor's reports

To receive a written or verbal report from:

a)County Councillor – Proposals by Hampshire County Council to reduce its office accommodation in towns across the county will be considered next week, as part of efforts by the Local Authority to consolidate staff into fewer buildings and help save money on running costs. Hampshire County Council will shortly be marketing three sites in Winchester for sale - Three Minsters House, on the High Street, Four Chimneys Family Centre, near the Andover Road, and property on the County Council's Monarch Way site, near the Romsey Road. These buildings will close to staff later this year, and services run from these sites will be relocated to other County Council buildings in Winchester. Illegal vapes and fake tobacco products valued at £300,000 have been seized by Hampshire County Council's Trading Standards over the last 12 months – in their crackdown on retailers who sell vapes to under 18s. Up to £23 million will be spent from April 2025 over the following seven years to support Hampshire smokers to quit, and to help stop people taking up the habit in the first place. In a boost for nature recovery, communities across Hampshire are being invited to apply for funding to plant disease resistant elm trees. The once abundant species has been decimated by disease in recent decades, but new varieties are now taking root across the county. Young people across Hampshire with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) have an exciting opportunity to join a new youth forum to voice their opinions and share experiences directly with decision makers from the local authority on topics that directly affect them – such as education, training and employment opportunities.

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b)Borough Councillor – Calling all butterfly enthusiasts. It's time to prepare for the 2024 butterfly season. Every year, Test Valley Borough Council takes part in the United Kingdom Butterfly Monitoring Scheme (UKBMS) in conjunction with Butterfly Conservation. A woman from Andover has been handed a fine after pleading guilty to fly-tipping cardboard boxes. Information found within the waste led officers to Maria Dias, of Picket Piece, Andover. Andover's monthly market is set to return to the town on Sunday 10 March, kick-starting a fresh season of these specially-curated events. Between 10am to 3pm visitors can look forward to a buzzing atmosphere on the High Street, as the market's colourful gazebos will pop back up to showcase a range of local traders, street food sellers and artists. The market will be opening every second Sunday of the month until December, with new activities and stalls to look forward to throughout the year. A man from Twickenham has been ordered to pay over £3,000 after fly-tipping garden waste near a nature reserve in Andover. Test Valley Arts Foundation (TVAF) has been showcasing arts and culture in Test Valley for 30 years and have recently been awarded £7,000 funding from Test Valley Borough Council to support the foundation and enable them to continue their work. Cllr Drew recently visited the Fullerton works which has been having various issues recently with Southern Water.

26.53 Pavilion working party

Update on progress. Planning application is now going through the consultation stage. Various members of the working party will step down once planning permission has been granted. Discussions about maybe co-opting more residents who have experience in grant funding. To request more help in West Dever News and at the Open Forum meeting on 18th May.

26.54 Finance

a) To receive and approve March 2024 monthly financial statement. Proposed and approved statement. Cllr Coates/Tickner checked and signed the bank statements and schedule.

Treasurers A/c

Opening balance as at 3 March 2024			£2998.86
Payments received March		£2,343.65	
Payments cleared March	£1415.35		
TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 1 April 2024			£3927.16

BUSINESS INSTANT A/C

Opening balance as at 3 March 2024			£67,470.02
Payments received March		£79.52	
Payments cleared March	£0		
TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE 1 April 2024			£67,549.54

Invoices yet to be paid

BS Village Hall 74, 77	£48.00
Greensmile 11048	£619.96
Clerk's salary	£1031.05
HMRC NI contribution	£7.87
Wades Estate Trust – water	£63.89
TVBC Dog bins	£1607.41
HALC – affiliation fees	£420.00
Total	£3,828.18
Total estimated balance	£67,648.52

b)Discuss/agree budget v actual as of 31 March 2024 - Went through all the figures. Proposed and approved. Cllr Oliver signed the spreadsheet

c)Discuss/agree bank reconciliation as of 31 March 2024- All balances. Proposed and approved. Cllr Oliver signed the spreadsheet.

d)To confirm no conflict of interest from councillors with the auditors BDO Ltd. Proposed and approved no conflict of interests.

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26.55 Parish Matters

- a) Discuss/agree locations for the remembrance poppies and sponsorship – Cllr Tickner will plot the locations on a parish map and will bring to the next meeting.
- b) Discuss/agree renting the recreation ground out for the summer training to Upper Clatford FC from 530-730pm – proposed and approved to rent out pitch for £500. Clerk to put a contract together and include something about keeping language suitable for a public open space.
- c) Discuss/agree the purchase of a history board for the Green – the board will have historic military information on it. Clerk to see if the MOD may have any info at hand. Cllr Coates will speak to Peter Wood too for help.

26.56 Planning

Discuss/agree

- a) 24/00474/FULLN – Erection of replacement sports pavilion, installation of package treatment plant, and air source heat pump – The Recreation Ground, Cocum Road, Barton Stacey, Winchester
- b) To review the process of communication with proposed developers for community housing sites. Cllr Oliver spoke to Tim Goodridge at TVBC this week regarding how the PC can communicate with JPP as the PC thought they couldn't comment before a planning application was submitted. Tim confirmed that for this type of project that the application wouldn't be able to proceed without the PC's support/guidance. Proposed and approved to invite Tim to the June PC meeting to talk through this process to ensure the PC follow correct procedures.

26.57 Community bus

Update on progress – Cllr Akroyd attended a webinar from NALC regarding community bus schemes which was useful. Community engagement is certainly key to this project. The Open Forum is booked for 18th May 1300-1500 and communication will go out for this shortly. Questionnaires will be printed and cllrs/helpers to go round all properties and fill them in. The shop is happy to have a stack for people to fill in and deliver. A business plan will need to be written too.

26.58 Clerk's report

Clerk confirmed there is a Police and Crime Commissioner election on 2 May – as previously photo ID will be needed to be able to vote. Issues last week with an e-bike churning up the back field and going too quickly round the village without a helmet. Parents were informed and it seems they haven't been out since. 2 new plot holders will be taking over the vacant plots so the allotment is full again. Internal audit is taking place on Monday 29th April. Annual play inspections have been carried out and clerk will look at these shortly.

Meeting Closed: 21.10 Next Meeting: Tuesday 21st May, 2024