

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 6 October 2022
at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall, Barmby Moor

Present: Councillors Clark (SC in the Chair), Wilkinson-Mudd (MWM), Robinson (KR), Gregory (JG), Emmison (BE) and Haynes (CH) and Sykes (DS – Pocklington Provincial).

Apologies: Received from Councillors Kay West, Paul West, Appleton and Dexter.

Declaration of Interest from members on any item to be discussed: None.

Minutes: Minutes of PC meeting held on 11 August, proposed to be a true record by JG, seconded by BE and carried, minutes of the Planning/Finance meeting held on the 26 September, proposed to be a true record by BE, seconded by JG and carried unanimously.

Clerk's Report:

PC meeting on the 22 September – had to be cancelled due to the mourning period of Queen Elizabeth II.

Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II – held on Wednesday, 14 September at 10 am.

Book of Condolence – one book in the church arranged by the PCC, and another book in the Boot & Slipper provided by the PC. BE asked on behalf of the Boot & Slipper, if it could go to Barmby Moor CE School for the children to sign. Members agreed, and to ask ERNLLCA where to keep the book of condolence.

ERNLLCA – Zoom planning training booked for BE and KR.

Emergency Plan – committee formed by KR, BE and CH to update the plan. Clerk will arrange a date.

Remembrance Sunday – 13th November, KR will lay the poppy wreaths.

Report from Pocklington Provincial Councillors: DS submitted information to the meeting from ERYC.

Tree planting – up to £5000 available for tree planting in the parish. The clerk mentioned that a previous request with Greener Pocklington wanted a large number of trees planting which would not be applicable to Back Lane or Flat Lane.

Cavity Wall insulation – available through ERYC, posters are on the notice boards.

Long-Covid rehabilitation and Mental Health support – programme available through ERYC
Tel: 01482 391444.

Food Festival Pocklington – to be held on the 22 and 23 October.

Devolution – has been voided between ERYC and Hull CC.

Matters arising from previous meetings:

Councillors not attending meetings for over 6 months – SC confirmed that due to Councillor Appleton not being able to attend meetings due to work commitments, he has regrettably submitted his resignation. Clerk to contact Electoral Services to advertise the new vacancy.

Co-option of a Parish Councillor – application by Janet Britton received which has been circulated to members. SC proposed to accept by co-option, seconded by JG and agreed unanimously.

Community Speed Watch – update from BE on the extensive speed checks being carried out. Support given by the Police, but frustrated by no response from ERYC Traffic Management. Data and CSW meeting minutes given to DS requesting support. Clerk this afternoon received an apology from Lianne Darbinson, Senior Engineer for TM, who hopes to forward an interim report for the next meeting on the 3 November. BE said the Speed Watch Team felt they are getting very little acknowledgement and support for their work.

Traffic calming measures at SL, Briarsfield, B1246 and the village – Traffic Management chased on outstanding report expected in September. See previous item.

Neighbourhood Development Plan –Councillor Steve Clark (as chair of the steering group producing the Neighbourhood Plan) gave the following report: An article had been written on the front page of the Pocklington Post 5 October 2022 under the headline of “Unease over Barmby plan”.

The article stated that East Riding Council’s Cabinet heard officers were concerned restrictions on new affordable housing in the countryside around Barmby Moor violated local and national planning rules.

SC advised that no one from ERYC had contacted Barmby Moor Parish Council in connection with the Cabinet meeting.

SC stated that following this article, he had checked and rechecked the policies included in the draft Neighbourhood Plan against those included in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the East Riding Local Plan 2012 – 2029. He had not found any policies in the Neighbourhood that appeared to contradict the policies of the NPPF or the East Riding Local Plan.

He further explained that the NPPF states that rural exception sites used for affordable housing in perpetuity shall be small sites. In addition, these sites shall seek to address the needs of the local community by accommodating households who are either current residents or have an existing family or employment connection.

The East Riding Local Plan states that affordable housing on rural exception sites will be supported where it meets an identified local need, be of scale appropriate to the role character and appearance of the settlement, and provide 100% affordable housing. The Plan also states that outside of a development limit land will be regarded as the Countryside and affordable housing for local people will be supported where proposals respect the intrinsic character of their surroundings.

The East Riding Local Plan does not identify any need for affordable housing in Barmby Moor and states that the majority of affordable housing need in the Vale of York sub area is found in Market Weighton and Pocklington.

In the preparation of the Barmby Moor Neighbourhood Plan, the Steering Group were advised by ERYC that policies must be clear and unambiguous.

Even though there is currently no identified need for affordable housing in Barmby Moor, Policy F3 of the Barmby Moor Neighbourhood Plan states that when there is a proven local need, 100% affordable housing schemes of up to 10 dwellings in rural exception sites for will be supported.

When the Steering Group sought advice from ERYC for a definition of “local need” the group was referred to seek advice from Peter Hirschfeld at Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council. This we duly did, and he in a written reply stated the following:

“This usually means that those in need who live in the community and have done so for a number of years, would be eligible for the housing. The PC could decide how long a person needs to have lived locally and could be anything from 3 years upwards.

The second category could be those who have lived in the village, perhaps having grown up here, have moved away, but now need to return. They are classed as having a strong local connection. This could apply to people who need to return to look after an elderly relative for example.

Finally, you could look at Key Workers in the community. Those who work in the community but do not live here but would benefit if they did. This can include NHS staff, those in the emergency services, anyone working at the local school/shops etc.”

The Steering Group incorporated this advice in its affordable housing in rural exception sites policy, Policy F3. SC stated that the Neighbourhood Plan did not seek to restrict affordable housing in rural exception sites. That restriction is determined by the higher-level documents of the NPPF and the East Riding Local Plan. What the Neighbourhood Plan does seek to do is clarify when affordable housing in rural exception sites will be supported by the Neighbourhood Plan.

SC summarised that he could find no obvious contradiction between the policies included in the Neighbourhood Plan and the those included in the NPPF [Annex 2: Glossary – Rural exception sites, Paragraph 20 (Strategic policies), Paragraph 34 (Development contributions), Paragraph 41 (Pre-application engagement and front loading), Paragraph 63 (Delivering a sufficient supply of home), Paragraph 78 (Rural housing) and Paragraph 149 (Proposals affecting the Green Belt)], and the East Riding Local Plan Policy H2: Providing affordable housing and Policy S4: Supporting development in Villages and the Countryside.

He was therefore surprised and puzzled that it had been reported that the Neighbourhood Plan policies for affordable housing in rural exception sites did not comply with planning policies.

Planters – no details from MWM, decided to leave until the New Year.

Village Hall installation of Projector & Screen – waiting for delivery of the larger screen.

Community Fibre Partnership – Teresa Bovingdon confirmed the community have achieved the target and Openreach agreed to proceed to the next stage.

Ashcourts – on-site meeting arranged on the 31 October at 9 am.

Sutton Lane junction – trees need pruning at Endymion Cottage as obscuring farm vehicles gaining access onto the A1079, clerk reported to ERYC.

Public Rights of Way – land at Yapham has been harvested but no footpath marked out. In the hands of Enforcement Officers.

Street Light/road bridge Beck Side – still waiting for repairs.

Play Park, Rospa Report – Roger Westmoreland has been informed of the strimming damage, and BE has treated the baby slide with preservative. Members agreed to go ahead with replacing the baby slide in the New Year.

Holborn View – broken post removed. Members decided not to replace.

Defibrillator – request for a familiarisation session in January, get dates for the next meeting. BE stated local residents need advice on procedures to follow when an emergency arises.

Invoices:

Richer Sounds (price difference for projector screen) - £100.00.

PKF Littlejohn (Audit) - £240.00.

Andy Ross (cleaning bus shelters October x 4 weeks) - £60.00.

Vivien Cox - Royal British Legion (reimburse clerk for 2 x poppy wreaths) - £40.00.

Shaw & Sons (new minute book) - £81.00.

CH proposed invoices be approved for payment, seconded by BE and carried.

Receipts – East Riding of Yorkshire Council (precept) - £11360.50.

Total amount in Bank as from 1 September 2022 - £35,419.94.

PKF Littlejohn – end of audit plus members agreed to continue with external auditor for the next 5 years.

Plans:

Lewis Anderson, Wyncote, Main Street – crown reduce 1 x Leyland cypress tree by 1 metre, crown reduce 1 x weeping willow by 2 metres in height and 1.5 to 2 metres in width, Crown reduce 1 x hazel tree by 1.5 metres, crown reduce 1 x cherry tree by 2 metres in height and 1.5 metres in width (**Ref: 22/03194/TCA**) – *no objections*.

Planning refusal:

Mr. O Fielder, land N of 92 Barmby Road – erection of a dwelling (custom build) – (**Ref: 22/00762/OUT**).

Reports from Parish Councillors after attending meetings:

Village Hall – JG will attend meeting next week.

Community Group – SC will attend on the 26 November. Possibility of grant application for the Coronation.

Community Speed Watch – discussed under Matters Arising.

Correspondence:

Name Bank Top up request – Broadhelm suggestion of Cliff Park near the Service area accepted. Any other names for the name bank to be submitted to the next meetings.

Safe route for school children to walk to Pocklington – email from a SL resident, this has already been fully checked by ER, close the issue.

Pocklington Neighbourhood Plan – in consultation period with ERYC.

Preparation of New Design Guidance – results after a public survey earlier this year.

Nottingham Knockers, Cold calling – warning email from Trading Standards, suggest put in the Parish Magazine.

102 Squadron – wreath laying and service on Remembrance Sunday, 13 November, KR agreed to carry out again.

Any other business for future meetings:

Committees – BE requested a list be discussed of the various committees parish councillors represent, especially after the two resignations. Each councillor to give a report after attending.

Memorial Seat Queen Elizabeth II – members to bring suggestions of sites for a memorial seat.

Date of next meetings: 3 November. Also proposed dates for 2023 (circulated). Clerk asked if members interested in starting the meetings in the Back Room at 7 pm., then moving into the hall once the class has finished. Members unanimously agreed to ask the VH.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.25 pm.