

BARWELL PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 1st JUNE 2023, AT 7.00 PM.
HELD AT PARISH OFFICE, 10 HIGH STREET, BARWELL

Present: Cllr Mr R Roberts, Miss M Nash, Mr J Buck, Mrs C Green, Mrs P Kirby, Mr A Wheeler, Mr M Simmons, Mrs H Smith and Mr G Armstrong

Also Present: Clerk: Mrs D Deighton
Assistant Clerk: Mrs S Williams

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26/2023 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Ms H Simpson and Miss C Granger

27/2023 DECLARATIONS AND DISPENSATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

28/2023 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

29/2023 MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman

30/2023 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Cllr Mr R Hills sent a report that was circulated to the members on the following:

- Weeds and verges – grass cutting is scheduled for 15th June 2023 and Weed Spraying is scheduled for 3rd July 2023
- Bus Funding – LCC successfully bid for £1.8m from the government but this will not be used to re-instate the 159 bus possibly used to increase the Foxes Connect Trial

- Parking enforcement on High Street tickets have been issued
- Police – secured a meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner to discuss issue in the division

31/2023 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Borough Cllr H Smith reported on the following:

- Successfully dealt with issues on Bradgate Road
- Issues with Barwell Co-Op and Barwell Bargains dealt with

Borough Cllr C Green reported on the following:

- Dealing with bullying in schools around Leicestershire

32/2023 CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk informed the members of the following:-

- Leak in the toilet and kitchen has been dealt with
- Confusion on a Grave Plot has now been resolved with members agreeing to allow ashes interment under the tree
- Request from a rock band to use the Jubilee Hall for practice. Members agreed and instructed the Clerk to inform the local residents

33/2023 WAR MEMORIAL REPAIRS

Members agreed to keep this item on the agenda whilst we await further information from the War Memorial Trust regarding a grant applied for

34/2023 NEW CEMETERY LAND

Members agreed to remove this item and for Borough Councillors to liaise with the leader of the Borough Council Stuart Bray

35/2023 MEETING VENUE

Members RESOLVED to rescind the resolution to hold meetings in the Jubilee Hall and RSOLVED to return to holding meeting in the Parish Office from July 2023

36/2023 OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Members RESOLVED to new Office Hours of Monday to Thursday 9am and 1pm and Fridays by appointment only

37/2023 NATIONAL RAIL FREIGHT TERMINAL

Members RESOLVED to reiterate their objection as previously submitted

38/2023 COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP FUND

Members agreed to enter a bid in for the Community Ownership Fund for a new Community building. Clerk to liaise with Borough Council of a possible site to purchase. Clerk also to arrange the Town Team Meeting to restart as soon as possible

39/2023 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning & Highways

- Alterations to dormer window in Charleston Crescent no objection
- Proposed office block and parking Leicester Football Club no objection
- Solar panels in Shilton Road no objection
- Conversion of garage to treatment room, The Cottage no objection
- Single side extension Bosworth House Farm no objection
- Proposed new food retail nit at Leicester Football Club no objection
- First Floor side extension Regent Street no objection
- Two storey detached house and garage at Inglenook Farm no objection
- Single Storey detached bungalow The Common Objection
- Change of use from commercial storage to 2 flats High Street Objection

Finance & General Purpose

- First months accounts agreed and noted
- VAT on Sports Pavilion is ongoing
- First Community Grant has been awarded to Girl Guides

Cemetery, Parks & Recreation

- Bus Shelter on Queensway ongoing. Clerk to liaise with Bus Company
- Japanese Knotweed removal is expected to begin shortly
- Community Allotments ongoing

- Covid Bench ongoing
- Picnic Benches in Barwell Park ongoing
- Cemetery Regulations to be reviewed at the next meeting
- Sensory Garden site to be considered for improvement at next meeting

Parish Events

- Next event of the year is Barwell By the Sea on 16th July 2023 in Radford Park
- Brass on the Grass on 3rd September 2023 with Croft Band in Kirkby Park
- Remembrance Sunday on 12th November 2023
- Christmas Lights Switch On 25th November 2023

40/2023 REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

Climate Change Working Party

- Nothing to report

Voluntary Sector Working Party

- Nothing to report

Remembrance Sunday Working Party

- Nothing to report

41/2023 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

- Nothing to report

42/2023 COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members noted the following Committee Minutes:

Planning & Highways Committee 2nd February 2023

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Planning & Highways 4th April 2023

Finance and General Purpose Committee 9th February 2023

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Cemetery, Parks & Recreation Committee 9th February 2023
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Parish Events Committee 1st March 2023
Staffing Committee 27th February 2023
Staffing Committee 8th March 2023

43/2023 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6th July 2023

(The meeting closed at 8:00pm.)

Chairman's Signature.....