

BARWELL PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2022, AT 7.00 PM.
HELD AT JUBILEE HALL, BYRON CLOSE, BARWELL LE9 8AF

Present: Cllr Mr M Gould (Chairman), Mr P Gould, Mrs D Vernon,
Mr R Roberts, P Stead-Davis, Mr M Simmons and Mr A
Bolwerk-Baines,

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

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125/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted unanimously from Cllrs Mr M Hulbert, Ms M Nash and Mrs H Smith due to work commitments, Mrs P Kirby due to rehearsals and apologies received and accepted by a majority from Mr J Hood due to family commitments.

126/2022 DECLARATIONS AND DISPENSATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

127/2022 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

128/2022 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Cllr Mr R Hill submitted his report to the members on the following:-

- Mobile Speed Signs
- Bike Rack on Top Town
- Speed Survey on Stapleton Lane to also be extended to Fairace and Blackburn Road
- Hinckley Road speed cushions
- Parking on Top Town issues
- Road Closures for Queen's Platinum Jubilee

129/2022BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Borough Cllr Mr H Williams informed the members of the following:-

- Local Plan confusion on SUE numbers
- National Rail Freight opposed by HBBC
- Unloading issues with local business in Barwell
- Top Range continues to be an issue
- Inglenook Farm issued with enforcement notice
- Crabtree Farm Appeal was not communicated to the Ward Councillors
- Has huge concerns on the rising living costs

Borough Cllr Mr R Roberts informed the members of the following:-

- Liaising with Dr Luke Evans MP on NHS staff vaccinations
- Concerns on the new Highway Code
- Concerns raised on the SUE infrastructure

130/2022MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th January 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman

131/2022CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk informed the members of the following:-

- Quotes received for replacement windows on Parish Office to be considered by next Finance Committee
- Fire Risk Assessment for the Sport Pavilion on Dovecote Way
- Trench on Dovecote Park has now been completed
- Troublesome Email received regarding gate on Barwell Park which the members agreed should remain locked

132/2022WALL ON PUBLIC TOILETS DISPUTE

Members RESOLVED not to pursue with the addendum but are keen to get the guttering re-instated. Clerk to instruct solicitor to remain the resident to inform the Council once the work have been carried out

133/2022TOP RANGE MOTORS

S215 for the site to be tidied up still remains in place despite the site being advertised for sale. HBBC will continue to enforce the S215 on the owner should it not be completed within the notice period

134/2022APPEAL OF CRABTREE FARM, HINCKLEY ROAD

Chairman Mr M Gould gave the comments on behalf of the Parish Council to the inspectorate. Decision is likely to take at least 3 months. HBBC will advise the Parish Council of the outcome in due course

135/2022BUS STOP ON QUEENSWAY REQUEST UPDATE

Leicestershire County Council are waiting for confirmation from their legal department for the Bus Stop to be installed

136/2022NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT ON DOVECOTE PARK

Snag list is still being completed. An opening ceremony will be arranged once this has concluded

137/2022REQUEST FROM BRITISH LEGION FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Members RESOLVED that the Parish Council will take over the organising of the ceremony and a Working Party will be formed to report its recommendations to the Parish Events Committee for final decisions

138/2022SUPPORT PROPOSITION FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF HBBC ON SUSPENSION OF NATIONAL RAIL FREIGHT INTERCHANGE PROPOSAL CONSIDERATION

Members RESOLVED to support the proposition from Chief Executive of HBBC on suspension of National Rail Freight Interchange Proposal consideration

139/2022REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning & Highways

- Nothing to report

Finance & General Purpose

- Usual Payments
- Environmental Shire Grant Application

Cemetery, Parks & Recreation

- Dog bin for Kirkby Road
- Poo Bags Dispenser for jitty on Shilton Road
- Priority 1 trees have been completed quotation for Priority 2 to be considered at next committee meeting
- Tweed River Park consultation has not been well engaged but ideas that have been put forward to be considered at next committee meeting
- Letter written to landowner on Hinckley Road for possible Allotment plot but no response has been received to date

Parish Events

- New Events Calendar has been drawn up and will be displayed in the notice boards

140/2022REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

Climate Change Working Party

- Nothing to report

Voluntary Sector Working Party

- Easter Food Parcel is ongoing
- Report received from Youth Workers has been circulated to members and will be invited to the next working party
- Unable to have the venue at George Ward Centre for the voluntary led library/hub

141/2022REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

- Town Team meeting held at the of January discussed the empty shop units which are not many
- Footfall good on Top Town
- Free Wifi is well used
- SUE update
- Top Range S215 was discussed

142/2022COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members noted the following Committee Minutes:

- Finance & General Purpose 9th December 2021

- Cemetery, Parks & Recreation 9th December 2021
- Planning & Highways 28th October 2021
- Staffing Committee 3rd November 2021

RESOLVED That under the *Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as amended) the next items will be held in closed session*

143/2022CLERK'S REPORT

Members noted the Clerk's Report and RESOLVED for the Chairman to sign

144/2022DATE OF NEXT MEETING

3rd March 2022

(The meeting closed at 8:00pm.)

Chairman's Signature.....