

BARWELL PARISH COUNCIL  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2022, AT 7.00 PM.  
HELD AT JUBILEE HALL, BYRON CLOSE, BARWELL LE9 8AF

Present: Cllr Mr M Gould (Chairman), Mr P Gould, Mr R Roberts, P Stead-Davis, Mr M Hulbert, Mr M Simmons, Mrs P Kirby and Miss M Nash

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

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**A ONE MINUTE SILENCE WAS HELD FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE BEFORE THE MEETING COMMENCED**

145/2022APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted unanimously from Cllrs Mr A Bolwerk-Baines due to holiday, Mrs H Smith due to medical reasons, Mrs D Vernon due to work commitments and apologies received, and accepted by a majority, from Mr J Hood due to family commitments.

146/2022DECLARATIONS AND DISPENSATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

147/2022PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

148/2022COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Cllr Mr R Hill report was circulated in advance of the meeting to the members regarding the following:-

- Lighting columns on closed jitty between Meadow Road and Queensway
- Culvert on Kirkby Road causing flooding on the road
- Barwell SUE
- Highways funds have been granted for mobile vehicle activated sign and Bike Racks to encourage healthy travel

#### 149/2022BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

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

- Assisting a vulnerable member of the community
- Abstained at the Budget meeting due to lack of advanced information
- Ukraine invasion any offers of accommodation for the refugees to be passed to HBBC
- Kirkby Road to Mallory Park flooding issues reported to LCC

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

- Assisting an at risk member of the community
- Attended a site visit on Kingsfield Road after complaints of lorries and poor parking

#### 150/2022MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman

#### 151/2022CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk informed the members of the following:-

- Unauthorised Memorabilia again in Barwell Cemetery owner has been sent a letter requesting removal within 10 days
- LCC attempting to offload Lighting columns to the Parish Council on a closed jitty
- Storm damaged fence reported between Fairacre and Russett Close not the responsibility to the Parish Council
- Resident reports of heavy traffic on Fairacre is continuing
- Councillors encouraged to forward names to receive Food Parcels
- A reserved plot in Barwell Cemetery is too tight and had to be moved to a new location
- New trailer has now been delivered for the groundsmen
- Request received for a memorial tree
- Complaint received of unsightly grounds of flats on Stafford Street possibly an environmental issue

#### 152/2022TOP RANGE MOTORS

S215 for the site has been extended to 31<sup>st</sup> March due to personal reasons

153/2022APPEAL OF CRABTREE FARM, HINCKLEY ROAD

Ongoing

154/2022BUS STOP ON QUEENSWAY REQUEST UPDATE

Ongoing

155/2022NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT ON DOVECOTE PARK

After a couple of additional snags being corrected the site is now complete and an official opening of the new equipment to be arranged

156/2022NEW CODE OF CONDUCT

Members RESOLVED adopt the new Code of Conduct in line with HBBC

157/2022COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Members completed the questionnaire for the Parish Council.

158/2022MARKET STALL

Members RESOLVED to continue to erect stall, but time changed from 7:00am to 8:00am in line with grounds staff official starting time

159/2022EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL SURRENDER

Members RESOLVED to accept the surrender of Exclusive Rights of Burial for two plots to be bought back at the original price

160/2022OPEN SPACE ON GALLOWAY CLOSE

Members RESOLVED not to reduce the height of the trees on the open space that are healthy and require no work

161/2022RISK MANAGEMENT

Members noted the Risk Management

## 162/2022ASSET REGISTER

Members noted the Asset Register

## 163/2022REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

### Planning & Highways

- Objections were raised on an Extension - 47 Galloway Close
- No objections raised on 40A Kingsfield Road

### Finance & General Purpose

- Parish Office Window quotes were considered, Clerk instructed to obtain another quotation if possible

### Cemetery, Parks & Recreation

- Allotments Ongoing. Clerk has written to a local landowner but has not received a response.
- Tweed River Park going to trial a Flower bed around the edges and give the residents the option to plant them.
- Trees in Cemetery have been worked on due to an Ash being in danger of falling.
- Electric Van Test Drive on 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Still awaiting if successful for PCIF grant for new climbing frame in Tip Park and Energy Saving Kits
- Clock change end of March, grass cutting and wildflower sowing will commence thereafter.

### Parish Events

- Extensive events calendar this year
- Further meeting to be held next Tuesday

## 164/2022REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

### Climate Change Working Party

- Nothing to report

### Voluntary Sector Working Party

- Easter Food Parcel is ongoing

- Youth Worker attended to give a full update on progress, good engagement with the youths seems to have been established

165/2022REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

- Rural Conference was attended by Cllr Mr M Gould and Mrs P Gould via zoom, discussions were on:-
- Climate Change
- Electric Cars
- Twycross Zoo successful grant

166/2022COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members noted the following Committee Minutes:

- Finance & General Purpose 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- Cemetery, Parks & Recreation 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- Parish Events Committee 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

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

167/2022VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

After a lengthy debate and an agreement to consider the proposal at the next meeting the vote of no confidence was withdrawn

168/2022DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Council Meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
Annual Parish Meeting - TBC

(The meeting closed at 8:40pm.)

Chairman’s Signature.....