

BARWELL PARISH COUNCIL  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
4 MARCH 2021, AT 7.00 PM.  
HELD VIRTUALLY VIA MS TEAMS

Present: Cllr Mr M Gould (Chairman), P Stead-Davis, Mrs P Gould,  
Mrs P Kirby, Ms M Nash, Mrs D Vernon, Mrs H Smith and Mr M  
Hulbert

Also Present: County Cllr Mr B Crooks  
Borough Cllr Mr H Williams

Clerk: Mrs D Deighton  
Assistant Clerk: Mrs S Williams

MOP: One

341/2020 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mr R Roberts due to assisting a constituent with personal issue and Cllr Mr A Baines due to work commitment. Apologies were also received from County Cllr Mrs J Richards who was attend another meeting

342/2020 DECLARATIONS AND DISPENSATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE  
PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

*Due to no County Councillors being present initially it was agreed to bring Borough Councillor report forward*

343/2020 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

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

- He has resigned from the Conservative Party and is now an Independent Councillor due to the Government's minimal support for small businesses and self employed
- Borough have set the budget
- Town Team Meeting scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021
- Dealt with issues on Planning in Mill Street
- Drug issues and drug driving issues
- Fly Tipping cleared on Kirkby Road

- Thanks to County Council given for resolving the flooding problem on Kirkby Road efficiently
- Path surface on Charnwood Road and Kirkby Road in need of maintenance
- Skate Park in need of maintenance to prevent rusty, offer to assist the Parish Council if required

*County Cllr Mr B Crooks joined the meeting. Chairman agreed to receive his comments on his report circulated earlier to all members.*

344/2020      COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

CC Mr B Crooks' report had been circulated to the members earlier. CC Mr B Crooks commented on the following:

- COVID-19 Briefing Barlestone and Desford in Top 20 for infection rates, Hinckley and Bosworth infection rate has dropped, but Melton has gone up
- Attended a Development Control Meeting
- Attended a Community Workshop

345/2020      MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> February and Extraordinary meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman

346/2020      CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk informed the members of the following: -

- More Saplings have been pulled up in Barwell Park
- Pebbles and Fencing around Headstone in Cemetery a request has been sent for its removal within 10 days
- Fence on Boston Way has now been moved back
- Police Newsletter has been circulated to all members
- 70 trees have had Ivy removed by Footpath Volunteer
- Poll for Bollards on The Common has received 9 for and 2 against

*Member of public joined the meeting, and it was agreed the public participation be moved to allow them to speak*

347/2020 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Request to consider a Neighbourhood Plan

348/2020 RISK ASSESSMENT

Current Risk Assessment was reviewed and accepted

349/2020 ASSET REGISTER

Asset Register was reviewed and accepted

350/2020 COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

Community Emergency Response Plan was reviewed and accepted.  
Clerk to arrange for a run through assessment post Lockdown

351/2020 NATIONAL COAL MINING MEMORIAL

It was RESOLVED to defer for further clarification

352/2020 YOUTH WORKER

A further meeting has been held with Young Leicestershire representative to revisit the estimate to see what could be done in line with the current Budget agreed

353/2020 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Members received reports from the following Committees: -

- Planning & Highways
  - Manege on Hinckley Road Objected due to Flooding issues and the requirement of a balancing pool
  - Barn Conversions on Kirkby Road No Objection
  - Crabtree Farm on Hinckley Road slight change on Plans adding Speed Cushions No Objection
- Cemetery, Parks and Recreation
  - Allotments ongoing

- Wildflower planting ongoing. Shire Grant submitted
- Tree Survey ongoing
- Park Planting ongoing
- Oak Tree Delivery in March
- PCIF's submitted
  
- Parish Council Events
  - Easter Eggstravaganza has been cancelled under current Roadmap
  - Other events are expected to go ahead post Lockdown
  
- Finance and General Purpose
  - Rental Holiday extended on Dovecote Way Pavilion
  - Agreed to reallocate remaining budgets from Plant and Bulb Purchases to Wildflower Project
  
- Staffing
  - Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March
  
- Outer Bodies
  - Nothing to report
  
- Working Parties

Climate Change Working Party informed members of the following:

  - Donated Elm Tree from Goscote Nurseries has now been planted on Tip Park
  - Community Engagement with Schools and Local Churches encouraged
  - Action Plan is being worked towards

Voluntary Sector Working Group informed members of the following:

- Voluntary Led Library/Hub discussions ongoing
- Youth Worker ongoing
- Introduction to new Locality Area Co-Ordinator
- Social Prescriber detailed on their work and advised of another member of staff to be based on Barwell Surgery

354/2020      COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members noted the following committee minutes: -

Planning and Highways Committee 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Finance and General-Purpose Committee 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Cemetery, Parks and Recreation Committee 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021

355/2020      DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting to be held virtually on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021 @ 6pm  
Annual Council Meeting scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 subject to current Roadmap

(The meeting closed at 7:51pm.)

Chairman's Signature.....