

Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council

MINUTES

Draft version for approval at the meeting on 17th July 2019

Of the Parish Council Meeting which took place on Wednesday 15th May 2019 immediately following the Annual meeting in **Barnacre Memorial Hall**.

1. **Present:**

Councillors Fennel, Forshaw, Gorst, Ibison, Howell (Chair), Marsh & 1 member of the public.

Apologies:

Councillor Commander.

2. **Minutes**

It was resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting held on 20th March 2019, having been circulated previously be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

None to declare.

4. The meeting was adjourned for a period of public discussion at 8.05pm, to allow members to give a “for information only” update from any meetings / groups / visits / training courses attended since the last meeting, the chance to review any information on Clerk’s report & receive any update from Borough & County Councillors; Mark Hothersall (organiser of the North West Stages car rally) was present to give the Parish Council some feedback and received any the Parish Council may have had. He commented on the Friday evening in Garstang as “phenomenal”. All stages were completed. A formal survey wasn’t commissioned this year, but students are going to do this for the next rally. There were 7,000 spectators on Saturday across the 3 stages (Stalmine, Nicky Nook & Haythornthwaite) In total they have had 38 responses from residents on routes (23 from the Nicky Nook stage, of which; 19 would have the rally back, 2 said maybe and 2 said no) Positive feedback has been received and the Parish Council confirmed that it had not had anything negative reported back. Overall the rally has been very well received. Only reported issues; a deer strayed into the road on the stalmine stage causing a car to swerve and hit a gate which then hit a spectator who suffered minor injuries, but the spectator wasn’t in a designated spectator area but just in a field.

The rally organisers are already starting to look at the next year’s event and are hoping to host, again at least 3 stages but with a view of introducing a 4th and 5th. It is a non profit organisation, but made £15k this year which will be allocated to charities. £10k has already been allocated. The Parish Council have been given £500 to donate to charity(ies) in the local area. Clerk to expect an email shortly from motorsport.uk when consultation commences.

The Chair did confirm that the Parish Council was willing to assist with the “welcoming” evening next year and join Garstang Town Council to do so. Mark confirmed he would keep in touch.

Ward Councillor John Ibison reported he had retained his position as Wyre Councillor following the election and had retained his position on the Overview & Scrutiny Committee. He also gave an update on B4RN in Calder Vale, Cloughton and Barnacre; 79/80% residents had been approached now with over 50% agreeing to take up the service. Work continues with landowners to secure permissions as required. Of the £60k investment required, £39k has now been secured. There is still time to invest.

Councillor Norman Howell reported that work is ongoing with the footpaths to the Academy from both Garstang and Catterall. The next meeting will take place on 14.06.19 where results from the survey undertaken by Phil Durnell and Keith Iddon will be shared.

Councillor Henry Gorst mentioned the white railings in Calder Vale village needed painting again and several years ago when they were done the Parish Council paid for the paint/sand paper etc. Clerk to include on the next agenda to agree retrospectively, but the paint could be bought when required and the invoice be presented at the next meeting.

Meeting reconvened at 8.56pm.

5. **Planning applications:**

- a. Application: 19/00301/FUL – Erection of a detached dwelling @ High Gables, Bowgreave – This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no objections / comments.**

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- b. Application: 19/00338/REMMAJ – Reserved matters application for appearance, layout and scale for the erection of up to 76 dwellings (following outline permission 15/00891/OUTMAJ) @ Land at Garstang Country Hotel and Golf Club, Garstang Road, Bowgreave - This was discussed. It was noted that the developers had now moved location of houses after realising that major pipes run through the site, this was an issue previously raised by the Parish Council so **it was resolved that there were no further objections / comments.**
- c. Application: 19/00178/LAWP – Lawful development certificate for proposed rear extension and extension to existing rear dormer @ 8 Dimples Lane - This was discussed and **it was resolved that there were no objections / comments.**

6. **North West Stages Car Rally charity donation**

The organisers of the rally have allocated £500 to the Parish Council to distribute however the Parish Council chooses to local charities. This was discussed and **it was resolved that the Clerk would let Mark Hothersall know the bank details of the account the £500 should be credited asap and that the decision on which charity / charities were to receive some or all of the allocation would be made at the next Parish Council meeting on 17th July. The Community event on Saturday 10th May was to include a suggestions box for visitors to have their say on where the money should go.**

7. **Community event**

It was resolved that the community event would still take place on Saturday 18th May despite now only having 2 attendees; the fire and rescue service and the Wellbeing service for families and children. Councillor’s Fennel, Gorst, Howell, Ibison and Marsh confirmed they would be in attendance for some or all of the published time (10am – 12noon) and so would the Clerk. Clerk and Councillor Marsh would open hall / set up, sort refreshments, put out a suggestions box for views of the event and charity suggestions for the car rally monies and assist visitors with setting up if required.

8. **2019/20 Public Rights of Way local delivery scheme**

This was discussed. **It was resolved to opt out.**

9. **Poppy trail plaque**

This was discussed again following the Clerk receiving a query from a member of Calder Vale WI in relation to the final location of the plaque. As the WI in the village maintain the war memorial area, it was felt they should have some say. **It was resolved that the plaque be handed to the Calder Vale WI for them to decide whereabouts at the memorial site they thought was more appropriate. The Parish Council would cover the cost of the post or whatever the plaque ends up on. Councillor Forshaw took the plaque to hand over to the WI.**

10. **Calder Vale Village Festival**

A letter was read out from the secretary of the village festival asking the Parish Council for a donation to go towards the running of the festival. The letter also invited any of the Councillors to the event. **It was resolved that a donation of £100 be given to the festival and Councillor Howell confirmed he would attend with his wife. Clerk would respond to the festival committee.**

11. **Annual precept**

The annual precept 2019/20 £6,180 was credited on 04.04.19. **It was resolved to note receipt.**

12. **Closure of the Building Society account**

It was resolved to note the closure of the Building Society account and the closing cheque received. Chair signed the final statement. The account has been closed due to the restrictive nature of the account. It is a very old account and doesn’t allow online banking, BACS payments to be made etc. Clerk to deposit the cheque to new Parish Council bank account.

13. **Bank account balance**

It was resolved to note bank balance of £6181.80 following credit of the precept. This doesn’t include the closing balance of the Building society account yet until cheque is deposited.

14. **Signatories for bank account**

This was discussed and **it was resolved that Tom Ibison would need to be removed as a signatory as he is now longer on the Parish Council. It was also resolved that the additional signatory to replace him would be the vice chairman, James Commander. Clerk will obtain correct forms from the bank and arrange necessary paperwork to be completed.**

15. **Financial bank statements for Clerk's Salary account & bank transfers**

It was resolved that the following figures be noted: Paid - Clerk's salary: 18th March (£356.72)

16. **Tax payment to HMRC**

It was resolved that the Council retrospectively agreed the bank transfer to HMRC of £1 (tax owed from tax months 10-12 2018 & tax months 1-3 2019)

17. **Payment of the following accounts were authorised**

Cheque 006	LALC	Annual subscription	£437.60
Cheque 007	Calder Vale Village	Hire of hall in December 2018 for a public meeting	£187.20

18. **Date of the next Parish Council meeting**

As previously agreed and advertised, the next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 17th July 2019.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

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