

**Barton Parish Council**  
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Barton Institute  
On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2004

1. **Constitution.** Members present were Councillor Peter Wood (Chairman) and Councillors Michael Charlton, Michael Holmes and Phillip Glithro. Also present were County Councillor Michael Heseltine, Mr Marty Gibb (VHMC), and one member of the public. Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors C.Dawson (RDC business), A.Thorogood (working) and A.MacFadzean (on holiday).
2. **A Point of Order** was raised before the Meeting was underway by Mrs Pearson a member of the public, as to whether it was legal to have the AGM on the same day as an Ordinary Meeting, to which Chairman Peter Wood said that he knew of no problem with this, and Councillor Heseltine confirmed that it was common practice among Parish Councils to have the meetings concurrently.
3. **The Minutes of the Meeting** held on 29<sup>th</sup> April were adopted, signed by the Chairman and countersigned by the Acting Clerk. Matters arising were;
  - 3.1 **Bus Shelters** Chairman reported that he had tried to contact Mrs. C Foster by telephone on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2004, as there had been no response to his letter of 1<sup>st</sup> May. Mrs.Foster had said that she was to be in contact with Martin Garside of RDC. The Chairman rang again on 23rd June and left a message on her answering machine. There had been no response thus far.
  - 3.2 **Yorkshire Water** had still not carried out any remedial work. A letter is to be sent.
  - 3.3 **Parish Clerk** A Notice had been placed on the Notice Board at Swale House advertising the vacancy. An advertisement in the Press was to cost £165, which could not be justified. The Chairman would look into the possibility of an advertisement in the Richmond and Catterick Advertiser.
  - 3.4 **NEDL** The Chairman reported that the way leave re Barton House had been completed
  - 3.5 **Alliance and Leicester Bank** The Chairman reported that response had been slow to our request to open two new accounts, and that he thought we should go to another Bank if things did not improve.
  - 3.6 **Internal Audit** was now completed.
  - 3.7 **Insurance** Barton Institute is now fully insured, but advice is being sought as to whether Barton PC is in fact liable for this cost. Enquiries of YLCA had not brought any helpful response. Cover in respect of the Allotments had been conveyed to BAHLGA.

*Resolved that BPC take out libel cover as an extra, but Insurers need details first.*
  - 3.8 **Allotments** Chairman reported that the fence around the dog run have been partially removed and re-utilised.

3.9 **Burns Depot Easement** Chairman reported that Wrigley's Solicitors and Mouchel Parkman had been instructed. The Deeds had been delivered to Wrigleys and a receipt for same had been obtained.

3.10 **Youth Van** Chairman reported that the initial appearance had been quite a success, but that a more suitable site than outside the Methodist Church could possibly be found once the work at Barton School had been completed.

#### 4. **Chairman and Clerks Report**

The Chairman reported that he had gone through the papers, which were held in the Councils records, and that following documents had subsequently been lodged with NYCC Archive for safekeeping and relevant receipts obtained;

4.1 Order relating to the number of Parish Councillors;

4.2 NEDL Lease and Counterpart Lease T/973;

4.3 Charity Commission Scheme in respect of Rowlandson Memorial Fund/WB and MM Eggleston Memorial Fund. The Charity called the Eggleston Trust or Memorial;

4.4 Documents in respect of a voluntary conveyance of land (footway) between Kettle End and the Village Green;

4.5 Allotments Agreement between Edward Hall Esq., and Barton PC;

4.6 Gas Easement ref 519/2/88(12)

#### 5 **Correspondence**

5.1 A letter had been received from Mr Peter Hall regarding the state of trees adjoining his property on Marygate. (See item 8).

5.2 Letter received from Alan Spivey for the gift of a painting given him from BPC in acknowledgement of the service he had given.

#### 6 **Finance**

6.1 The adoption of the Annual Accounts at the March BPC Meeting was ratified.

6.2 That the necessary assurances and completion of the 2004 Annual Return be provided to Mazars (Auditors).

6.3 Accounts for grass cutting of £412. 43 and £274. 95 (5 cuts) were approved for payment.

6.4 The payment of £987. 80 to Allianz Cornhill (including £744. 43 for Village Hall) was ratified.

6.5 Approval was given for a payment of £67. 99 to the Chairman for expenses.

#### 7 **Planning Matters:**

7.1 **Approvals** 1/93/152C/Full; 1/93/152D/Full; 1/93/152A/Full;

7.2 Application: 1/93/163B/Full – Mr and Mrs. Dickinson, North Road Farm, Kneeton Lane, DL19 6ND – Extension to provide extra bedroom.

- 8 **Allotments:**  
8.1 The Chairman reported that 23 plots had been let, and that plot 5 had been split into two smaller plots, (which was at half the normal rent), and that there was a waiting list of 5 persons. Plots 14, 16 and 30 would be available to let at a future date. The annual rent due under the Parish Council lease with Edward Hall is now covered by the rents received from Potholders in the amount of £572. 50.  
8.2 A request from the Allotment holders for funds to help with the cost of clearing up the former dog-run amounting to £60 was approved.
- 9 **Trees on Village Green** Tenders had been invited from several different Contractors but we still await replies.
- 10 **Dog Waste Bins** A request had been made for a bin on Silver Meadows, approximate cost £160. *The Meeting, with a specific request that it ideally be of sturdy Plastic construction, approved this.*
- 11 **Traffic Calming** A recent meeting together with a Traffic Engineer from County Hall had come up with some suggestion, to which those members of the BPC who attended added their thoughts. The proposals were to be incorporated into a new scheme, re-drawn and submitted to the Parish Council for comment and then public consultation.
- 12 **Business notified for next Meeting.** Nothing proposed.
- 13 **Any other business.** When the Chairman opened up the Meeting to the public Mrs Pearson stated her objections to the parking of cars around the village green, with specific reference to the area of Chapel Row. To her knowledge it was not approved for vehicles of any kind to be left along the cart-track in front of the houses, and asked what the Parish Council were doing about it. The Chairman acknowledged the problem, but pointed out that notices were placed advising residents that there was no parking allowed on the Village Green, and said that parking was already a problem on the roadside at that point, and any vehicle moved to the road would exacerbate that problem. He did, however, promise that the next issue of the Parish Newsletter would include some guidance on this matter.

**Signed and approved**

Chairman\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_