

Barton Mills Parish Council

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Chairman: Mr N. Horne 07590 672963

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton Mills Parish Council

held remotely on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 7:30pm

Present: Chairman - Cllr N Horne, Vice Chairman - Cllr A Harji, Cllr R Lewis, Cllr K Fuller, Cllr. M. Colsey, Cllr S. Mullender, Cllr. C. Miller, Cllr A Potts, District Cllr B. Harvey, County Cllr L. Busuttil, the clerk Jadi Coe and Julie Sheldrick, agent of application DC/20/2260/FUL

The Chairman Cllr N Horne welcomed everyone to the meeting

20/02/01 Accept and receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr T. Newman.

20/02/02 Declarations of members interests

Item 6, DC/20/2260/FUL – Cllr K Fuller and Cllr C Miller

Item 6 DC/19/2244/HH – Cllr R Lewis

20/02/03 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 5th January 2021 were proposed and agreed as a true record of the meeting held.

20/02/04 Police reports

Cllr B Harvey reported on the new online reporting tool for non-emergency crimes.

20/02/05 County and District Councillors report

Cllr Harvey reported on:

- The upcoming National Census 2021 which will happen in March 2021. Full details of which are available online at www.census.gov.uk
- The Local Plan, of which feedback had yet to be received
- Locality budget
- Fly tipping
- Local covid-19 vaccinations and testing centres

Cllr Busuttil report on:

- Health and safety of Fire Fighters in the County
- Local Covid-19 vaccinations and testing centre
- Sunnica proposals, which he confirmed he objects to
- Development west of Mildenhall, which he objects to due to Highways concerns on Queensway

Cllr Busuttil was asked:

- Why was West Suffolk behind on vaccinations compared to the rest of the county?
Cllr Busuttil confirmed this was not due to storage issues but different areas in East Anglia were provided more vaccines as they had higher rates of Covid-19

20/02/06 Planning and Environment

General & For Consideration:

DC/20/2260/FUL - a. four dwellings with garages (following demolition of existing outbuilding) b. alterations and extensions to existing two dwellings to provide garage with room in roof and front porches c. new vehicular and pedestrian accesses at Development Site adjacent to 7 Church Lane, Barton Mills, Suffolk.

Julie Sheldrick acting agent on the application talked through the plans of the proposed development.

Cllr R Lewis proposed that the Parish Council have no objections to the application and that it will enhance the area.

This was seconded by Cllr K. Fuller and carried after a unanimous vote.

DC/19/2244/HH - Parish Re-Consultation Householder Planning Application - Detached single storey Outbuilding Brook House, The Street, Barton Mills, Suffolk, IP28 6AA

Cllr S Muller proposed to support the application, this was agreed following a unanimous vote.

Tree Applications (for information only):

None

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Applications awaiting West Suffolk decision and pending appeals:

None

Decided/approved (for information only):

DC/20/2090/HH – detached double garage and bin store at Rose Forge, Worlington Road, Barton Mills, IP28 7DX

DC/20/0740/FUL Appeal Ref AP/20/0044/STAND for 1 dwelling at The Old Maltings, Barton Mills, IP28 6AA
(application has been appealed)

DC/20/2183/HH - Single storey rear extension at Stable Barn, 26A The Street, Barton Mills, IP28 6AW

Parish Council Planning Policy

Cllr Potts reported on his initial findings of putting together a Parish Neighbourhood Plan:

I have spoken to West Suffolk Planning department and they have given me some valuable advice and pointed me in the right direction.

Grants are available up to £10,000 to help fund the process, many local parishes use the grant to fund Planning Consultants who assist in the process.

The first stage is to submit an application form to West Suffolk Council to give notice of our desire to proceed in the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan and designate a Neighbourhood Area.

West Suffolk Council will not control the process, but as they have to undertake certain Statutory tasks during the process, and ultimately, they will have to bring the policies agreed into force.

It is very important at the offset to establish our Aims and understand that our Community Plan must conform to the West Suffolk Local Plan.

A Neighbourhood Plan is a community led framework for guiding the future development, regeneration and conservation of an area. Subject to a few basic conditions they will become legally binding and will become part of the development plan for the area.

These conditions must have approval through a local referendum; must take into account national planning policy; must conform generally to the needs for Strategic Development set out in existing Local Plans; cannot provide less development than existing Local Plans, but could add to them if appropriate.

This was discussed by members as the members wanted clarification:

- that the Neighbourhood Plan could identify and include sites outside of the current settlement boundary
- that it would not be worth the time and effort if the plan cannot go against the current West Suffolk settlement boundary for the village

Cllr B. Harvey confirmed that a Neighbourhood Plan was important and would give the Parish Council additional influence for planning applications that conformed to their Neighbourhood Plan. He also confirmed he would gather further information to answer members queries raised.

Cllr R Lewis agreed to write up a draft parish planning statement as an interim measure.

20/02/07 Clerk's Report, Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting and Correspondence

The clerk reported the following:

- Suffolk County Council have contacted the Parish Council informing me that there is a delay in starting the bridge replacement, and they will make contact again once a date is known.
- A resident had made contact asking whether a bench can be installed on the playing field in memory of her deceased relative who had in the past been a resident of the village
The members agreed that a bench may be installed in the village.
The bench could either be located on the playing field, exact location to be determined or on the small island near Chestnut Close, which the Parish Council are looking into tidying up with a new village sign and decorative landscaping.
The bench type would need to be agreed with the resident and the Parish Council which the Parish Council would then purchase and the resident donating the net costs of the bench to the Parish Council
- It has been brought to the Parish Council's attention that following the road resurfacing on The Street there are still a number of drainage issues that have not been resolved.
Cllr Harvey and Busuttill reported that they are aware of this and are seeking to help the residents in getting this resolved.

20/02/08 Parish Matters

20/02/08.1 Update on exception site at Newmarket Road update

Havebury Homes have confirmed:

-our solicitors received the draft contract from the seller's solicitor on last week so they are in the process of reviewing the documents

- the planning pre-application has been submitted so we await comments from the planners

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20/02/08.2 Maintenance of Assets

a) Lighting

- The light on Bell Lane which was to be moved in Bell Lane had not been moved by Pearce and Kemp. This was because UKPN only cut the live wire and did not remove it. Pearce and Kemp have confirmed the old UKPN pole has been removed leaving just the new pole and lighting column, Pearce and Kemp believe this light now does not need to be moved as there is now enough clearance for the light to be worked on with a hoist. The Parish Council have asked for the light to still be moved to prevent future problems and this cost is to be covered by UKPN. It was suggested that the clerk should ask UKPN and Pearce and Kemp for this to be resolved by 31st March.
- The Parish Council are still awaiting quotes from Pearce and Kemp and K & M Lighting for the new lights required in the village.

b) Play park

The parts from Proludic have now yet been received so Eastern Play Equipment have not yet scheduled the works.

There is an additional broken piece on the train and a quote has been requested from Eastern Play Services to fix this at the same time.

20/02/08.3 Covid-19 update and issues in the Parish

Cllr B. Harvey and L. Busuttill reported the following:

- a new Covid-19 rapid testing centre targeting asymptomatic people opened on 1st February at West Suffolk College, Bury St Edmunds.
- another local Covid-19 rapid testing centre intends to open in Mildenhall from 11th February.
- a large West Suffolk Vaccination Centre has now opened at Newmarket's Rowley Mile race course.
- all over 80's should have now received an invitation for their first vaccine and now over 70's are being offered their first vaccination.

20/02/08.4 SID Rota

The rota was updated until April 2021

20/02/08.5 Request to tidy islands at Chestnut Close and new Barton Mills sign

An application to install furniture on a public highway has now been submitted. If the request is approved the license will cost £100.

The clerk is to chase Suffolk County Council regarding the installation of bollards near the island promised to a village resident.

20/02/08.6 Litter issues update

It was reported that there appeared to be more dog excrement left on the pavements in the village.

Reports of fly tipping were noted and Cllr B. Harvey reported that fly tipping needs to be reported to Dominic at West Suffolk at dominic.owen@westsuffolk.gov.uk

20/02/08.7 Social media

To be brought forward to the next meeting.

20/02/09 Finance & Policies

20/02/09.1 Parish Council Bank Balances and Reconciliation from list of Payments and Receipts

The clerk reported that at date £2,192.79 was held in the current account and £25,681 in the deposit account.

All charity donations have been made with the exception of £250 to East Anglia Air Ambulance as the charity's bank details were previously unknown but this payment will now be made with this month's payments.

20/02/09.2 Approve and authorise payment of invoices

The following invoices were approved for payment:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Gross</u>
30-Jan	J Coe	Salary	319.57	0.00	319.57
30-Jan	J Coe	Clerk expenses	28.15	0.00	28.15
30-Jan	S Limmer	Gardening	25.00	0.00	25.00
			372.72	0.00	372.72

20/02/10 Parish Councillors reports (for information only)

Cllr R Lewis passed on appreciation from residents who were pleased that the Parish Council asked local gardener Sarah Limmer to carry out work regularly in the village.

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Keep your village clean and litter free

20/02/12 Items for future agendas

Social Media

Newmarket Road exception site

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 2nd March 2021

The meeting closed at 9:00pm



J. Coe Clerk