

Barton Mills Parish Council

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Chairman: Mr N. Horne 07590 672963

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Barton Mills

held in the village hall on Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 7:30pm

Present: Chairman - Cllr N Horne, Cllr K Fuller, Cllr M Colsey, Cllr A Potts, Cllr T Newman, Cllr R Lewis, Cllr S Mullender, Cllr R Oke (once co-opted), District Cllr B Harvey, the clerk Judi Coe, Josh Coates (Barton Mills Football Club) and one member of the public.

The Chairman Cllr N Horne welcomed everyone to the meeting

Public Forum:

No member of the public wished to speak.

22/07/01 Accept and receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr C Miller.

22/07/02 Co-opt new councillor

Following an informal interview, it was resolved to co-opt Ros Oke as councillor of Barton Mills Parish Council. Cllr R Oke signed the declaration of acceptance of office, which was witnessed and signed by the clerk.

22/07/03 Declarations of members interests

Cllr R Lewis item 11.2.

22/07/04 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 7th June 2022 were proposed and agreed as a true record of the meeting held.

22/07/05 Use of the playing field including goal storage

Josh Coates from Barton Mills Football Club attended the meeting following an invitation.

Josh informed the council that Mildenhall have two youth teams who are using the field for training (mid-week) and matches on a Saturday. Mildenhall first team have been training on the field but this has now ceased. Josh confirmed that both youth teams have access to the changing rooms but only use this for the toilet facilities.

Josh was asked that the Parish Council are informed of any requests to use the field for football in order for the Parish Council to approve first.

It was agreed to get in writing to Josh what the Parish Council expects of Josh, when he has field usage requests.

Josh was asked about the refurbishment of the Football Club. He confirmed everything that had previously been agreed, has been carried out.

Mildenhall Under 10s have asked whether they would be able to store their own goals on the field for use in matches and training from next season. It was agreed that if fold away goals were not purchased then the goals could be stored on the playing field, with the nets removed and locked together towards the edge of the field and to confirm that the Parish Council would not be liable to any damage that is caused to the goals.

22/07/06 Police Reports

None

22/07/07 County and District Councillors report

County Cllr L Stanbury had sent his apologies.

Cllr B Harvey reported on The West Suffolk Local Plan, Sunnica, and locality funds available.

Cllr R Lewis asked whether locality funds could be used to fund new flooring in the Football Club. Cllr Harvey agreed this should be ok and to complete a request form.

22/07/08 Planning and Environment

General & For Consideration:

DC/22/0931/FUL – change of use of garage to salon at 22A Worlington Road, Barton Mills, IP28 7DY

It was proposed and agreed to **support** the application.

DC/22/0709/FUL Re-consultation - a. reconfiguration of vehicular parking; b. one vehicular and one pedestrian ramp; c. vehicle wash bay following demolition of existing; d. gas bottle store; e. roller shutter doors to south-west elevation; f. entrance door to south-east elevation g. electric vehicle charging points h. roof mounted solar PV panels on south-

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west elevation i. substation and low voltage switch room at East of England Ambulance Service, Fiveways, Barton Mills, Suffolk, IP28 6AE

It was proposed and agreed to re state previous comments made; the Parish Council support the application subject to the surface water/chemicals from the new vehicle wash bay being disposed of properly to prevent the rivers etc being polluted.

Tree Applications (for information only):

DC/22/0964/TPO - fell one ash at The Granary, 28 The Street, Barton Mills, IP28 6AW

Applications awaiting West Suffolk decision and pending appeals:

DC/22/0820/HH – two storey side extension at 12 Church Meadow, Barton Mills, IP28 6AT – *pending at 29.6.22*

DC/22/0222/ADV – one internally illuminated totem sign at Barton Mills Service Station, IP28 6AE - *pending at 29.6.22*

DC/22/0021/HH – a. two storey front extension; b. two storey side extension; c. one and half storey side and rear extensions; (following demolition of existing side extension and garage) d. first floor balcony to the side elevation; e. two bay cart lodge with first floor room at The Croft Mildenhall Road Barton Mills IP28 6BD - *pending at 29.6.22*

DC/21/2285/FUL – 15 dwellings with associated landscaping, highways and engineering works at land used for car boot sale, Newmarket Road, Barton Mills – *pending at 29.6.22*

Cllr B Harvey commented that the bird survey has now been submitted to Natural England.

Decided/approved (for information only):

None

West Suffolk Local Plan

Cllr R Lewis presented information about the local plan including the Parish Councils previous comments on sites including within the SHELAA.

In December 2020 the Parish Council agreed and submitted the following comments on the sites marked 'included housing' on the SHELAA:

Site WS015 Land at Grange Farm Cottages and WS016 Land to the North of Grange Lane

The Parish Council are **against** the inclusion of these sites within the local plan.

This Parish Council came to this decision based on that Grange Lane would not be able to support the additional traffic use which would come from any housing development on this land.

WS017 Land to the West of Church Lane

The Parish Council **support** the inclusion of this land within the local plan.

The Parish Council believe this is a reasonable site for housing development in the village as there is good access to the land from Church Lane or Newmarket Road

WS018 Land at Rear of 21 Mildenhall Road

The Parish Council **support** the inclusion of this land within the local plan.

The Parish Council feel a low density development would be reasonable for the site.

West Suffolk Council have not included in the Local Plan either of the sites that the Parish Council supported; sites WS017 and WS018.

West Suffolk Council omitted site WS017 and commented: Landscape impact – site is highly visible and forms a prominent feature within the surrounding landscape. West Suffolk Council

West Suffolk Council omitted site WS018 and commented: Unsustainable location – site poorly relates to the existing settlement boundary. The site and/or development would be an inappropriate form of back land development.

The only site in Barton Mills included in the Local Plan is part of site WS234, land on Church Lane

The Parish Council never commented on this site on the SHELAA as this was marked as 'deferred housing'.

Cllr R Lewis reported that the Parish Council agreed previously that limited development was suitable for the Parish but he had concerns this may no longer be possible as much of the Parish is within the Natural England's Stone Curlew and Woodland buffer area.

Cllr R Lewis also had concerns that West Suffolk Council had not taken into account the Parish Council's comments on the sites identified on the SHELAA and that West Suffolk Council's explanation for these sites being omitted are not reasonable.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would restate their views in regards to the omitted sites WS017 and WS018, and comment that their explanation for omitting these sites is not reasonable. To inform West Suffolk Council of the concerns regarding Ecology reports, as these may impact developing many areas in the village. Cllr R Lewis to create the response and to circulate to other members for comment, before submitting to West Suffolk Council and Cllr B Harvey.

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Sunnica

Sunnica is proposing to make changes to its application in regard to joining the National Grid. The Parish Council proposed and agreed to not comment on the proposed changes.

Cllr B Harvey confirmed that the Parish Council Alliance group were holding a meeting on 6th July at Chippenham Village Hall, and that he still continues to object to the Sunnica proposal.

River lark proposed changes

The Parish Council agreed that they were supportive of the proposals presented to the Parish Council.

22/07/09 Clerk's Report, Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting and Correspondence

Run Breckland will be holding their run event on Sunday 14th August. The Parish Council was consulted on this as part of the route was in the parish. The Parish Council agreed if additional marshals could be placed at Old Mill Lane, which they have agreed to.

22/07/10 Parish Matters

1. Update on exception site at Newmarket Road update

Havebury have now received the ecology report, they are awaiting some amended drawings from the architects and they are hopeful everything will be submitted to the planners early next week.

2. Maintenance of Assets

A – Lighting

Cllr R Lewis confirmed unit 63 The Street is still not working. The clerk to request an update.

Cllr M Colsey confirmed a new unit has been installed on Church Meadow following the removal of the prior unit.

B - Play park

Cllr N Horne asked the clerk to confirm with the park inspector what can be used to stop birds going on the bar above the swings.

It was agreed to remove the remaining COVID-19 guidance signs from the park area.

3. SID incl rota

The rota has been agreed up to early September.

4. Old Mill Lane railings

SCC previously confirmed they would not carry out this work, the clerk has tried to obtain at least three quotes:

-DJ Sheen – no response

-SJB Painting and Decorating Services – intends to provide a quote

-Alan Wisbech – too busy

-SV Cook - £3,500 plus VAT, to scrape back and wire brush loose and flaking paint, prime bare metal, apply two coats of Hammerite metal paint

Knott Decorators - £670 plus VAT to clean and prep both railings overlooking the river, to apply 3 coats of Zinsser all coat.

It was proposed and agreed to accept the quote from Knott Decorators.

5. Highways issues

The provisionally dates for the SDR (Sensor Data Record) have now been confirmed as 13th July to 21st July.

6. Island at Chestnut Close

It was agreed at the last meeting agreed to accept the quote to gravel the remaining area but to ask for sketches of the area, as to what it may look like with the addition of cobbles and/or boulders.

R Ayers quoted:

-to add 80-100mm cobbles with gravel this will cost an additional £220 or/and

-add 45 200-300mm boulders or 8-10 300-600 boulders for an additional £290.

It was proposed and agreed to accept the quote of an additional 10 boulders 300-600 for an additional £290.

7. Dog bin replacement Mildenhall Road

West Suffolk Council informed the Parish Council that the dog bin on the corner of Mildenhall has been damaged. West Suffolk Council confirmed that the replacement will be at the cost to the Parish Council and that they no longer supply dog only bins but combined litter and dog waste bins.

West Suffolk Council charge £403.20 for a 120l capacity bin, with a black lid, or for £454.80 a 120l bin, red topped with a dog waste logo on to encourage disposable of dog waste. Dog waste only bins can be purchased from other manufacturers. Dog waste only bins vary in cost, from £100 to over £300.

Cllr K Fuller agreed to look at the bin as he believed this was still in working order, and to bring the item forward to the next meeting.

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8. Queens Jubilee photo book

To bring forward to the next meeting in the absence of Cllr C Miller.

22/07/11 Finance & Policies

1. Parish Council Bank Balances and Reconciliation from list of Payments and Receipts

The clerk reported that at date £2,348 is held in the current account and £36,559 in the deposit account.

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-Jun	J Coe	Salary	336.60	0.00	336.60
30-Jun	J Coe	Clerk expenses	25.50	0.00	25.50
30-Jun	R Lewis	Barton Miller printing	26.16	0.00	26.16
30-Jun	HMRC	Clerk PAYE and NI	234.00	0.00	234.00
25-Jun	RH Landscapes	Grass cutting	300.00	60.00	360.00
28-Jun	Pearce and Kemp	Unit 68	95.15	19.03	114.18
28-Jun	Pearce and Kemp	Unit 63	66.55	13.31	79.86
01-Jul	West Suffolk Council	Emptying dog bins	27.73	0.00	27.73
30-Jun	Barton Mills VH	Hall hire	67.50	0.00	67.50
			1,179.19	92.34	1,271.53

22/07/12 Parish Councillors reports (for information only)

None

22/07/13 Barton Miller

To be determined via email

22/07/14 Items for future agendas

Exception site, dog bin replacement, Queens Jubilee photo book

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 6th September 2022

The meeting closed at 9:10pm



J. Coe Clerk