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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Barton Mills

held in the village hall on <u>Tuesday 7th March 2023</u> at 7:30pm

In attendance: Cllr C Miller, Cllr, K Fuller, Cllr R Oke, Cllr T Newman, Cllr R Lewis, Cllr A Potts, Cllr M Colsey District Cllr B Harvey, the clerk Jadi Coe, and five members of the public.

Vice Chairman Cllr C Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Public Forum:

-Concerns in the appearance at Olive Court was raised, due to no designated bin areas and some of the parking areas being used as dumping grounds.

It was agreed the clerk would contact Flagship raising this issue

-Request for any further updates on the Jaynic proposal.

No further official correspondence has been received

-A report that an illegal access point on the car boot field was being used.

The clerk to look into this as there had been correspondence on the same issue in 2019.

-Concerns of a tree overhanging the highway on Station Road opposite the cone in the road was reported. The clerk to report this or contact the land owner and report the issue of the road surface to SCC. RL to obtain photos.

23/03/01 Accept and receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr N Horne, Cllr A Potts and Cllr S Mullender

23/03/02 Declarations of members interests

Cllr R Lewis item 6 (DC/23/0069) and items 8.2 and 9.2

23/03/03 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 7th February 2023 were proposed as a true record of the meeting held by Cllr R Lewis, the minutes were approved and signed.

23/03/04 Police Reports

Cllr R Lewis reported that a recent post by the police showed Barton Mills having the most speeding offences in the month of January, 276. This number was considerably higher than the offences in the surrounding areas but this is likely due to recordings being taken on the A11.

23/03/05 County and District Councillors report

Cllr L Stanbury reported on various items:

- locality funds given
- the consultation period for the West of Mildenhall proposals which is now open
- support for those struggling with the cost-of-living crisis.

- the quote from SCC for a HGV survey of £450, which he will fund from his locality budget. It is hoped the survey results, will back up the need for signage preventing HGVs using the roads through the village.

- the campaign to increase trains stopping at Kennett, which has been agreed, the lack of parking spaces at the station and buses to the station.

- increase of 2% for council tax, the lower percentage has been calculated as more funds have been made available to the council and spending efficiencies have been made without sacrificing the service provided.

- the poor state of the road near to Fiveways from Mildenhall, which he is pushing for works to be carried out

Cllr B Harvey reported on various items:

- the new energy support scheme
- locality funds given to BMFC
- Sunnica
- upcoming elections, with purdah beginning on $27^{\mbox{th}}$ March

- those who wish to query their Council Tax band must challenge this on the government website

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23/03/06 Planning and Environment

General & For Consideration:

<u>DC/23/0134/FUL</u> - alterations to allow for drive-thru facility at existing restaurant including single storey rear extension for collection window, drive-thru lanes, car park alterations and hard and soft landscaping at Pancake and Waffle Shack, Milford Service Area, A11 Barton Mills South Bound, Barton Mills, Bury St Edmunds.

It was proposed and agreed that the Parish Council support the application, on the basis that:

-the applicants take appropriate measures to prevent queues forming outside the site area as detailed on the planning map, e.g., on the petrol forecourt or A11

-the applicants consider relocating the proposed disabled footpath from a route that crosses two lanes of queuing traffic twice to safer route adjacent to the proposed queuing lane.

<u>DC/23/0172/VAR</u> - variation of condition 2 of DC/22/0021/HH to allow use of amended plans for a. two storey front extension; b. two storey side and rear extension; c. conversion and extension of existing garage to habitable space; d. single storey side extension to existing garage (following demolition of existing flat roofed garage); e. roof alterations to existing link extension; f. two bay cartlodge with room above at The Croft, Mildenhall Road, Barton Mills, Suffolk, IP28 6BD.

It was proposed and agreed to support the application as it will enhance the appearance of the property. <u>DC/23/0069/FUL</u> – change of use from forge (Sui Generis) to residential dwelling (class C3) as amended by plans received 27 February 2023 at Rose Forge, Worlingotn Road, Barton Mills, IP28 7DX

It was proposed and agreed to support the application.

Tree Applications (for information only):

None

Applications awaiting West Suffolk decision and pending appeals:

 $\underline{DC/23/0008/ADV}$ – one internally illuminated totem sign at Barton Mills Service Station, Fiveways, Suffolk, IP28 6AE – *pending at 28.2.23*

 $\underline{DC/21/2285/FUL}$ – 15 dwellings with associated landscaping, highways and engineering works at land used for car boot sale, Newmarket Road, Barton Mills – *pending at 28.2.23*

Decided/approved (for information only):

None

23/03/07 Clerk's Report, Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting and Correspondence None

23/03/08 Parish Matters

1. Street Lighting

A resident reported unit 110 on Bell Lane turns on and off throughout the night. This has been reported to K & M Lighting.

Unit 85 Mildenhall Road, which has been out for some time, has not yet been repaired as repairing it requires additional traffic management due to it being on a bend.

2. <u>BMFC including approval of new lease</u>

Following the last meeting BMFC realised they were not quite in a position to take on the lease and costs of the pavilion, and it was agreed between MTFC and BMFC that MTFC would take on the lease of the pavilion including all costs but BMFC would have use of it and the pitch.

A new lease based on the previous lease has been created with additional points and has been pre-approved by both MTFC and BMFC. The lease terms are reasonable and fair to both parties whilst protecting the Parish Council.

It was proposed and agreed to approve the lease and to arrange a date for all parties to sign the lease.

3. Exception site Newmarket Road

Cllr B Harvey has spoken with WS Planning department who have confirmed that WSC cannot approve the plans whilst Natural England object to this. It was agreed to ask Havebury how they intend to move forward and to ask Rob Hancock at SCC whether any land on Church Lane would be available for the development for an exception site only.

4. Play park

To bring forward to the next meeting.

5. <u>SID</u>

The cost of a new solar sign for Newmarket Road was discussed.

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Cllr M Colsey to obtain 3 quotes which include a breakdown of the additions. The clerk to report whether there is any money available from the budget and to ask Mildenhall Council whether they would contribute towards any costs.

- 6. <u>Old Mill Lane railings update</u>
- No update has been received as to whether the old paint contains lead, despite chasing SCC.
- 7. Island at Chestnut Close

The works have now been completed with the exception of the new sign.

8. Queens Jubilee funds

Total funds received from locality £1,150.00. £696.73 was spent in relation to the weekend at the time, leaving £453.27 available. £330.00 has now been spent on a tree leaving £123.27 to be spent on items relating to the Jubilee weekend including a frame for the finger print artwork.

£523.51 was raised over the weekend which remains in the Parish Council bank account available for future events.

The tree has now been planted and it is hoped to hold a ribbon cutting reveal.

9. Kings Coronation

The Parish Council agreed that the church could hold an open-air service on the Sunday.

Cllr K Fuller and one resident will look to arrange a tea party for children if no one else comes forward with offers to help organise celebrations.

10. Local elections

The local elections, both parish and district will take place on Thursday 4th May.

All current members will need complete a nomination pack again if they wish to stand.

A Notice of Election will be published on Wednesday 22nd March and candidates need to deliver their nomination papers by 4pm on Tuesday 4th April. More detailed information including nomination packs can be found on West Suffolk Council website.

The clerk will send reminder emails and publish this information on the website and social media.

11. Highways issues including increased traffic build up at Fiveways

It was reported that the Friday before the school's half term saw increased traffic which saw many vehicles using the village and Mildenhall hoping to find a short cut.

23/03/09 Finance & Policies

- 1. <u>Parish Council Bank Balances and Reconciliation from list of Payments and Receipts</u> At date £1,730 is held in the current account and £26,742 in the deposit account.
- 2. Approve and authorise payment of invoices
 - The following invoices were approved for payment:

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Date	Payee	<u>Details</u>	Net	VAT	<u>Gross</u>	
28-Feb	J Coe	Salary	281.68	0.00	281.68	
28-Feb	J Coe	Clerk expenses	24.50	0.00	24.50	
28-Feb	R Lewis	Barton Miller printing	26.16	0.00	26.16	
01-Mar	West Suffolk Council	Emptying dog bins	27.73	0.00	27.73	
10-Nov	Community Action Suffolk	One Suffolk hosting	22.50	0.00	22.50	
07-Feb	Eon	Electricity (BMFC)	33.00	1.65	34.65	
24-Feb	Robert Ayers	Island works	590.00	0.00	590.00	
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3. Barton Miller annual paper donation

The Barton Miller have now increased their standard page rates to £15 from £10. It was proposed and agreed to donate £150 net of paper which is equivalent to 10 editions at £15 per edition.

23/03/10 Parish Councillors reports (for information only)

Cllr K Fuller reported that the flint wall at Lambs Court is very bowed and dangerous. The clerk to report. Cllr R Oke reported a resident has been placing a rubbish sack on the footpath between Mildenhall Road and the Jubilee Field, and once this is filled places it by a bin to be collected.

It was agreed that the clerk would obtain bin quotes and look into this further.

23/03/11 Barton Miller

Elections Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Funding

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23/03/12 Items for future agendas

No new items noted

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as: 4th April 2023

The meeting closed at 9:20pm

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