

Minutes of the meeting of Barlestone Parish Council held on the 8th February 2023 at Barlestone Community Centre

Present: Cllr. P. Enston, Cllrs. Mrs. E. Tegg, Cllr. D. Crane, Cllr. P Burchell, Cllr. J. Kendall
Cllr. Mrs. J. Trinder Oxley
B. Cllr. Bill Crooks

A Apologies: Cll. Mrs. S. L. Wallis, Cllr. L. Peacock
C.Cllr R. Hills,

B Declaration of Interests – None

1 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 11th January 2023 along with the Finance Minutes, having been circulated were confirmed as a true record by Cllr. Tegg, seconded Cllr. Crane.

2 Matters Arising/Clerk's update

- Traffic Management Main St/Bagworth Rd proposed by Leicestershire County Council were discussed and it was strongly felt that this should be objected to on the grounds that the residents had been punished enough by the continuous heavy vehicles using this small road and the main problem had been totally ignored.
Cllr Tegg to put the response together.

3 Finance –

a) Accounts for payment – proposed the invoices as listed are paid Cllr. Enston, seconded Cllr. Crane

The Finance Officer notified the members that annual service contract for Chillaire was due for renewal for the Air Con system (new filters will be required as the remainder of the filters were used on the last service), also the Community Centre gas boiler is due for a service by Gascare and the fire extinguishers are due for inspection and Fireserve to be contacted.

b) Quotations

- The quotation from Caloo re the outside gym equipment was agreed by all.
- Quotation from Richard Bailey re the extension to the car park at the Allotments, as per the sub-committee meeting held earlier, was agreed along with his quotation to dig a ditch to help stop flooding of some allotments.
- Quote for the repairing the car park at the Community Centre by Richard Bailey
Both above quotes agreed by all present.

4 Planning

23/00025/HOU Proposed two storey rear extension to dwellinghouse 45 Bagworth Rd, Barlestone Amended

23/00026/HOU Proposed two storey extension to dwellinghouse 47 Bagworth Rd, Barlestone Amended

No objection by the members to the above applications.

5 Parking

Clerk has emailed Enforcement at Market Harborough to request assistance with this but to date no response has been received.

Email from School re parking on verges opposite, this problem has been discussed many times and it was decided to apply to Leicestershire County Council for permission to place flower boxes on these verges as Highways were not in favour of bollards.

6 Playing field + Equipment

The annual report showed that stepping posts in May Meadow needed attention, the Clerk to contact Graham Cook with regard to this.

8 Events for 2023

Request from Church to have a community picnic on the Playing Field on the Saturday, 7th May 2023, this was agreed by all and it is hoped the parish council can help in some small way. The hall was also to be kept free should it rain on the day.

Cllr. Burchell agreed to help with the publicity once we have more details
It was also felt we could hold a 'Best Decorated Property' competition.

9 Any Other Business

- Graham Cook has cleared the mess left on the roadway up to the Football Club following on from a tractor cutting back the hedge even though Cookes didn't cut the hedge.
- Cllrs. Crane and Enston attended a meeting with the local MP and Police. Cllr Enston brought up the problems with parking on yellow lines and the fact that work had been carried out on vehicles in the road. The police informed the meeting that all burglaries were being followed up.
- Cllr. Enston had been questioned in the village about May Meadow boardwalk being closed and had again explained that it was unsafe to use and also the fact that giant hogweed was present and could hurt residents. The Parish Council is still trying to obtain funding for this repair.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9 pm

**February 2023 Invoices for
payment**

BP	Clerk	418.99	Salary - tax
		15.99	Office stationery
BP	Financial Officer	258.25	Salary - tax
BP	Premises Officer	639.36	Salary -tax
BP	Village Warden	408.50	Salary
BP	HMRC	171.40	Tax from salaries
BP	Cookes of Kirby Ltd	2521.26	Grounds maintenance
BP	Cookes of Kirby Ltd	100.70	ROSPA report
BP	Cookes of Kirby Ltd	960.00	Tree work PF - disease to willow trees
BP	Truetech	342.00	CCTV annual maintenance
BP	Leics Footpath Assoc	6.00	Membership renewal
BP	CFS Computers	1233.00	Two new laptops/Office 365 12 month
BP	LRALC	30.00	Code of conduct training
CHG	HSBC	19.00	Bank charges for all accounts
DD	HBBC	48.00	Cemetery rates
DD	HR4UK	95.04	Monthly sub
DD	O2	27.29	BPC/Community mobiles
DD	BT	33.85	CC Internet/telephone monthly
DD	EON Next	189.01	CC Gas
DD	Octopus	649.70	CC Electricity
DD	Octopus	24.74	Spinney electrics
		Total £	<u>8192.08</u>