

BARBY & ONLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Meeting

Held on.....MONDAY 12th October 2015 at.....7.30...pm

In BARBY VILLAGE HALL, Kilsby Road, Barby.

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PRESENT:

Councillors Sabine (Chairman), Blezard, Cotton, Cooper, Downes, Jones, C Lomax, Ritchie.

Clerk – Catherine Camp.

2 members of the public.

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1.	APOLOGIES	
	The Chairman had received a letter of resignation from Councillor Brian Lomax. The Clerk was asked to thank him on behalf of the village for his work as a Councillor. The Clerk explained the procedure for advertising a Casual vacancy and it was agreed that the vacancy be advertised as soon as possible. Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor N Gove (Hols) Councillor H Vale was absent. District Councillor I Robertson and County Councillor M Longley were absent.	Accepted
2	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
2.1a)	The Parish Council were thanked for providing a seat for the Bus Shelter which will be installed shortly.	
b)	Shrubbery around the dog bin on Kilsby Road still needs cutting back.	
c)	Comments regarding apple trees in millennium orchard need to be referred to Barby Townlands Charity.	
d)	No trick or treating cards are available from the police. These to be placed in the Village shop for people to pass on to those who feel vulnerable.	
2.2	Police Report – PCSO K Thompson did not provide a report. Dom Fisher asked residents to be vigilant following a break in on Kilsby Road during broad daylight and an increase in theft in the local area.	
2.3	District Councillors Report – Councillor C Lomax <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) It was reported that 1/3rd of the villages in the district are preparing Neighbourhood Plans. b) DDC Countryside and Settlements Local Plan will not be available until 2018 due to lack of resources at the District Council. Some of the investigatory work has been out-sourced. c) New Dog Control Orders have been agreed and fines for violation increased from £75 to d) £100. e) Daventry District Housing has been reorganised and the Board reduced. DDC will ask for it to be renamed since no District Councillors are on the board any more. f) It is understood that DDC will receive 15.6% less funding from Central Government next yr. g) The Council Tax reduction scheme will remain as is for the coming year. h) A question was asked about Business rates coming to local parishes and towns. There are no details about this recent announcement from Central Government. i) The District Council is 19.6% below the rate of average council tax. Cllr Ritchie pointed out that this comes at a price in that services have been drastically cut. 	
2.4	County Councillor M Longley did not attend the meeting.	
3	DECLARATIONS of INTEREST	
3.1	Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Interests. None.	
3.2	Dispensations – To consider written requests for dispensation of DPI. None received.	
4	TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES	
4.1	Minutes of 14th September 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record.	
5	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	The Clerks report was noted.	
5.2	Councillor Jones reported that the Police & Crime Commissioner failed to attend to walk around the village. The visit is to be rescheduled.	
5.3	NCC Highways to be contacted to ask them to carefully assess the access for application DA/2015/0739	

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6	PLANNING				
6.1	<i>New Planning Applications.</i>				
6.1.1	DA/2015/0893 Reserve Matters Application for 3 dwellings and ancillary buildings. Land off Elkington Lane, Barby. The Parish Council had no objections.				
6.1.2	DA/2015/0821 Single storey extension to form Workshop/Garage and construction of gate piers. 20 The Green, Barby. The Parish Council had no objections.				
6.1.3	DA/2015/0781 Demolition of existing front porch and construction of new porch and farm office. Whitehall Farm, Onley Lane, Barby The Parish Council had no objections.				
6.2	<i>Outstanding Applications – decision awaited from Daventry District Council Planning Authority.</i>				
6.2.1	DA/2015/0658 Outline application for demolition of redundant buildings and construction of seven dwellings and associated works. Land To North Of 56, Rugby Road, Barby. Awaiting.				
6.2.2	DA/2015/0739 Outline application for residential development comprising 5 units, estate road - Land Off Kilsby Road, Barby, Northamptonshire. Awaiting.				
6.2.3	DA/2015/0727 Listed Building Consent for conversion of outbuilding to garage and storage space.Village Farm 15, Rugby Road, Barby, Northamptonshire, CV23 8UA Awaiting.				
6.3	<i>Decisions received</i>				
6.3.1	DA/2015/0726 Rebuilding and conversion of outbuilding to garage and storage space (part retrospective) Village Farm 15, Rugby Road, Barby. Approved				
7	REFUGEES				
	<p>Councillor Ritchie provided a report on way in which refugees can be helped. The Parish Council resolved to encourage residents to donate to organisations providing help by publishing contact details in the newsletter.</p> <p>Councillor Ritchie is prepared to arrange a fund-raising event so anyone wishing to help will be asked to contact Councillor Ritchie to offer support. Tel 01788 890942</p> <p>A letter to be sent to local Housing Associations asking what they are doing to help.</p>				
8	ACCOUNTS				
8.1	Monies received £20918.50 Precept (50%); £149 Adverts:				
8.2	Financial Position at 07.10.15 - £ 179981.41 (127296.26 Ring-fenced for Onley)				Attached.
8.3	Cllr Blezard reported that all the paperwork had been checked and found to be in order.				Approved
	It was resolved to pay the following cheques as listed.				
To Whom Paid	Chq No	Details of Payment	£	Power to Pay	
BT Payments	D/D2/10	Village Hall Phone Sept	25.62	LGA(1972) s111	
Information Commission	D/D	Registration	35.00	LGA(1972) s111	
Argos Business Solutions	22846	Youth Club Equipment	539.87	LG (MP)Act 1976 s19	
Mrs C Camp	22847	Salary OCT 2015	820.77	LGA(1972) s112	
HMR&C	22848	Tax and NI	44.10	LGA(1972) s112	
NCC	22849	Pension Contribution	258.52	LGA(1972) s112	
Harry Norton	22850	Newsletter Delivery	12.50	LGA(1972) s142	
James Carroll	22851	Newsletter Delivery	12.50	LGA(1972) s142	
Taylor Newman	22852	Newsletter Delivery	9.00	LGA(1972) s142	
Catherine Camp	22853	Expenses	70.10	LGA(1972) s111	
Claire Griffin	22854	Youth Worker	120.00	LG (MP)Act 1976	
Krishna Enterprises	22855	N Plan Printing	140.00	Localism Act 2011	
E.ON UK plc	22856	Street Lighting	387.36	HA(1980) s301	
E.ON UK plc	22857	Street Lighting Maints	437.08	HA(1980) s301	
Earth Anchors	22858	Bench for Bus Shelter	286.80	Opens Spaces Act 1906	
Lamley Brothers	22859	Mowing	655.20	Opens Spaces Act 1906	
SLCC	22860	Conference Fee	355.80	LGA(1972) s111	
Community Heartbeat	22861	Defibrillator	2424.00	LG (MP)Act 1976	
Barby Village Hall	22862	N Plan Meeting Hire	9.37	Localism Act 2011	

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Lodders Solicitors LLP	22863	Legal Fees for TLC Leases	2160.00	Opens Spaces Act 1906
Onley Village Hall	22864	Youth Club Hire	50.00	LG (MP)Act 1976 s19
Barby Parish Council	22865	Transfer of VAT to Onley	970.00	TRANSFER of VAT reclaim 14/15
E.ON UK plc	22866	Street Lighting Repairs	28.16	HA(1980) s301
Lamley Brothers	102*	Mowing	720.00	Opens Spaces Act 1906
Barby Parish Council	103*	Transfer of Funds	720.00	TRANSFER from Onley Funds
Catherine Camp	104*	Paint Kit for Phone Box	154.80	LG (MP)Act 1976
(*Paid from ring-fenced maintenance funds to be used on the Open-space at Onley.)				
8.4	BUDGET Councillors D Blezard, N Gove, A Cooper and D Cotton agreed to form a Budget Working party to formulate a proposed budget for approval by full Council. It was agreed to meet on Monday 2 November at 7.30pm at Hophorne Farm, 18 Kilsby Road, Barby.			
8.5	The Clerk reported that Barby Townlands Charity had provided a grant of £539.87 to Onley Youth Club to cover the cost of their Play Station and Karaoke equipment.			
8.6	Councillor Cotton asked whether an Invoice had been received from Onley Village Hall to cover the bookings made by the Youth Club over the previous year – No.			
8.7	The Clerk was reminded that Councillor C Jones needs to be included as a cheque signatory.			
9	QUEENS 90th BIRTHDAY - To consider how this will be celebrated.			
	It was resolved to put a note in the Parish Newsletter asking whether any resident wished to organise a village event to commemorate the Queens 90 th Birthday.			
10	YOUTH / PLAY AREAS			
10.1	Safety Reports on all play areas had been completed.			
10.2	The Clerk was asked to arrange for the removal and repair of the seat in Onley Play Area.			
10.3	The Clerk was asked to chase up repairs to Play Equipment and top up the Wood chip.			
10.4	Councillor Downes was thanked for installing a litter bin at the Skate Park gate.			
10.5	It was reported that the Skate Park gate has been damaged and requires repair.			
11	HIGHWAYS			
11.1	It was reported that the Clerk had met Ian Boyes of Northamptonshire Highways on 30 Sept to discuss speeding on the Ridgeway and Longdown Lane and to see if the 30mph limit can be extended further from the Longdown Lane cross roads. Better Give way signage will be installed. It was agreed to ask the County Councillor to fund a Playground sign from his Empowerment grant fund.			
11.2	To consider requesting rescheduling of Buses to prevent them meeting on Kilsby Road. It was resolved to write to Stagecoach. Councillor Cooper to provide the Clerk with a contact at Stagecoach.			
11.3	To consider requesting a 20mph limit on Kilsby Road from Bus stop at Ware Rd to Rectory Lane. This to be considered further if Stagecoach is not prepared to reschedule the buses.			
12	ONLEY			
12.1	Onley tree survey has been carried out and quote for works requested to lift crown of trees in front of bungalows to allow their machines to get underneath them, and crown clean and lift the willow trees. The Clerk was asked to ascertain a sensible inspection period for a tree inspection. AGENDA Lamleys to be asked to be careful when strimming around trees as many show signs of damage.			
12.2	To note that weeds around the Village Hall were sprayed on 14 th July. The Clerk was asked to arrange for weeds to be sprayed along the edges of the estate roads.			
12.3	It was noted that residents at Onley felt that the Open Space should be registered as a Village Green. The Clerk represented a briefing note and the legal opinion sought previously that stated that the Covenants in place provide a high degree of protection and prevent the area being registered as Village Green. A copy of the transfer document, and legal opinion to be circulated to all Councillors.			
12.4	It was noted that Dennis Cooper has two Dog Waste bins. Councillor Cotton to collect them from him and the Clerk will arrange installation. One to be used to replace a damaged bin at Elkington Lane, Barby. It was suggested that this should be repositioned at the entrance to Elkington Lane.			
12.5	It was agreed to ask the Prison to mow the grass in the paddock to the right of the entrance road and to mow the verge and cut back the hedgerows.			
12.6	It was reported that Onley Prison is expanding by 50% and will have an extra 156 prisoners by the end of the year.			
12.7	It was resolved to obtain a quote for a tarmac path to link the Link road to Onley Park Village Hall.			

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	Concern has been raised that G4S who use the Village Hall for training purposes has lost the contract for Rainsbrook which may lead to the Village Hall being used less frequently.	
13	CORRESPONDENCE	
13.1	NCALC Update – circulated to all Councillors. Cllr Lomax to attend as a voting delegate.	
13.2	Northants Rural Housing Association Annual Report – available on request.	
13.3	Local Council Award Scheme –This has been applied for. Cost of registration is £50.	
13.4	DDH Community Star Award Nominations. It was resolved to put Brian Lomax forward in recognition of the work he has done on behalf of the community.	
13.5	Details of Chairmans Charity Dance Sat 28 Nov 7.30pm Daventry Community Centre.	
13.6	Consultation on Gambling Act 2005 http://www.northantslicensing.gov.uk	
13.7	The Chairman reported that the Arnold Arms pub will reopen after refurbishment but this is not likely to be until after Christmas. The Clerk reported that the Pub is listed as an Asset of Community value and has a legal charge against it. The building has not changed hands, so this charge has not been activated.	
14	ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA	
14.1	To consider the Budget proposals put forward by the Budget Working Party.	
14.2	To consider listing the Allotments, Community Orchard and Barby Garage as Assets of Community Value	
14.3	Neighbourhood Plan update.	

In the absence of further business the meeting closed at 21.05

Next Meeting- Mon 9th November 2015 at Barby Village Hall.