

BARBY & ONLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Meeting

Held on.....MONDAY 14th September 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, Vale.
Clerk – Catherine Camp.

5 members of the public.

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1.	APOLOGIES	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor B Lomax (Ill) N Gove. (Hols).	Accepted
2	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
2.1a)	The Council was asked when a seat will be installed in the bus shelter.	
b)	It was reported that the dog bin on Kilsby Road is covered by vegetation which needs trimming.	
c)	The hedge at the tennis court needs cutting.	
d)	The council were asked if there are any plans for the queens 90 th birthday.	
e)	Entrance to the playing field has been levelled by Messrs Tocher and Webb. The clerk was asked to check it.	
f)	Please can the boules area be tidied up. To be referred to the Towlands Charity.	
g)	Website and social media statistics were provided by Mr Webb.	
h)	Vision ICT have introduced a new version of the website. Please can the Budget committee include £500 to allow an upgrade if necessary.	
i)	It was reported that due to cuts Brixworth and Watford Gap police are likely to merge.	
j)	Anti-dog fouling signs have been obtained from DDC. Dom Fisher agreed to strengthen them with backing sheet provided by Cllr Sabine and put them up.	AS / DF
k)	Dom Fisher reported that he is spraying Dog Fouling with Fluorescent spray.	
l)	The Clerk was asked who is responsible for the barriers across the Byway EC23 – NCC Rights of Way.	
m)	It was reported that a tree is overhanging at 21 Brackendale Drive. The Clerk to write to the homeowner.	
2.2	Police Report – PCSO K Thompson PCSO Thompson reported that he had been off work with an injury. Speed checks will be carried out in the village on 7 th October. A surgery will be held in Long Buckby Library at 4pm on 22 nd September with the safer Roads Team in attendance. This to be publicised on the Website and Twitter. PCSO Thompson now has responsibility for 26 villages. The Council were concerned that they had not been notified when PCSO Thompson was off Work. Crimes – 1 burglary dwelling, Barby Lane. Burglary in Rectory Close; theft of sheep hurdles.	
2.3	District Councillors Report – Councillor C Lomax a) Dog Control Orders have been recommended for approval by DDC. b) DDC have met the Rural Housing target but this is a minimum number and the goal posts may move. c) The Countryside & Settlements Local Plan will not be approved until Oct 2018.	
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 24 th August 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record.	
5	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	The Clerks report was noted.	
5.2	The Play Afternoon on 18 th August arranged by DDC was well attended.	
5.3	It was noted that a Litter Picker still needs to be employed for Barby Play Area.	

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5.4	Onley Village Hall AGM has taken place and a new committee put in place. Councillor Cooper suggested that OPRA get more involved with the Village Hall. The Clerk advised that the Village Hall constitution needs to be adhered to. Councillor C Lomax said that she is a designated trustee of Onley Village Hall but did not receive notification of the AGM.	
5.5	CCTV – The Chairman reported that he had investigated putting CCTV at the entrance to the village but the cost would be prohibitive, and the Police are not prepared to link it into their systems. It was agreed not to pursue this further.	
6	PLANNING	
6.1	<i>New Planning Applications.</i>	
6.1.1	<p>DA/2015/0739 Outline application for residential development comprising 5 units, estate road -Land Off Kilsby Road, Barby, Northamptonshire</p> <p>The Parish Council OBJECT to this application since it is contrary to Policy HS22 of Daventry District Saved Local Plan as the site lies outside the existing confines of the village.</p> <p>It affects agricultural pastureland which borders an inter-village link footpath which forms a significant part of the character of the village.</p> <p>The application is felt to be contrary to Policy GN2 C as it will have an adverse impact on the road network. The site opens onto Kilsby Road at a narrow point on a bend.</p> <p>The Parish Council are very concerned that in the previous identical application Northamptonshire County Council stated that there were no Highway safety issues. The Parish Council feel that should this application be granted it will have significant highway safety implications because:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kilsby Road is a narrow village road only able to take one car in each direction 2. The road runs through an acute bend, greater than 90 degrees 3. Kilsby Road narrows at the apex of the bend down to a single car width 4. The road has a single footpath on the outside of the bend, the width of which will only allow a single person to walk along it. For two people to pass one must walk in the road. 5. The single footpath often has vehicles parked on it which forces people to share the road space with cars. 6. There is an obscured footpath to and from the church. The path is to the south of the apex of the bend. 7. To the north there is an obscured garage entrance. Both these entrances are on the inside edge of the bend. 8. Further to the north on the inside edge of the bend there are a number of entrances. 9. Throughout the bend there are several entrances. 10. North and South of the bend there are road junctions. 11. The level of traffic is likely to increase as more private cars use the village as a route to and from DIRFT at shift change times. <p>This application is also felt to be contrary to Policy GN2 E as it will have an adverse impact the setting of Listed buildings in the area. Large executive style houses would alter the character of this particular area of Kilsby Road, which has a grouping of Listed properties, which define the character of the area.</p> <p>The Inter-village footpath EC1 enters Barby along the site of the proposed development.</p> <p>The approach to the village along an ancient meadow, with views of listed properties and the Grade 2* Listed “St Marys Church” will be irreversibly altered if planning permission was granted for this pocket of agricultural land. This alteration will adversely change the character and form of the village approach.</p> <p>In the past, Holme Way has had problems with over-capacity of their sewerage system. Although this has been rectified in recent years, Severn Trent will need to be consulted to ensure that the system has sufficient capacity for any additional loading feeding into the sewers. The Council raised concerns that this may well be a problem, in which case the application will be contrary to Policy GN2.</p> <p>The Parish Council can see no reason why the District Council should allow this application, since they have already secured sufficient land to provide the required 5 year land allocation, and the allocation for Rural Housing has already been met.</p> <p>We wish to ensure that if the Planning Officer is minded to grant approval that the final decision is made by the Planning Committee.</p>	
6.1.2	DA/2015/0727 Listed Building Consent for conversion of outbuilding to garage and storage space. Village Farm 15, Rugby Road, Barby. The Parish Council has no objections to this application.	
6.2	<i>Outstanding Applications – decision awaited from Daventry District Council Planning Authority.</i>	
6.2.1	DA/2015/0726 Rebuilding and conversion of outbuilding to garage and storage space (part retrospective) Village Farm 15, Rugby Road, Barby.	
6.2.2	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	

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6.3	<i>Decisions received</i>			
6.3.1	DA/2015/0665 25 Brackendale Drive, Barby. Single storey front extension, two storey side extension and single storey rear extension. APPROVED.			
6.4	DDC Housing Land Availability update shows that DDC has met Rural Housing Target by +140.			
6.5	National Policy for the Built Environment – call for views on this. This to be circulated to Councillors.			
7	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN			
	It was resolved that the draft Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to 6 weeks Formal Consultation which will run until 1 November 2015. The Neighbourhood Plan will be available on the website and there will be some hard copies available on loan. An open meeting will be held in Barby and Onley respectively. The Chairman thanked the Neighbourhood Plan committee for doing such a professional job.			
8	ACCOUNTS			
8.1	Monies received £26.44 from KPC Phone Bill; £43.97 from KPC for Stationery; £10 Adverts;			
8.2	Financial Position at 01.09.15 - £ 166310.16 (127946.18 Ring-fenced for Onley)			Attached.
8.3	Cllr Blezard reported that all the paperwork had been checked and found to be in order. It was resolved to pay the following cheques as listed.			Approved
To Whom Paid	Chq No	Details of Payment	£	Power to Pay
BT Payments	D/D 2/9	Village Hall Phone August	24.49	LG (MP)Act 1976 s19
Mrs C Camp	22831	Salary SEPT 2015	820.77	LGA(1972) s112
HMR&C	22832	Tax and NI	44.10	LGA(1972) s112
NCC	22833	Pension Contribution	258.52	LGA(1972) s112
Harry Norton	22834	Newsletter Delivery	16.00	LGA(1972) s142
James Carroll	22835	Newsletter Delivery	16.00	LGA(1972) s142
TBC	22836	Newsletter Delivery	11.00	LGA(1972) s142
BDO LLP	22837	External Audit Fee	360.00	Audit Regulations 2011
Catherine Camp	22838	Expenses	76.25	LGA(1972) s111
Kirkwells Limited	22839	Neighbourhood Planning	3000.00	Localism Act 2011
Claire Griffin	22840	Youth Worker	80.00	LG (MP)Act 1976
Krishna Enterprises	22841	Newsletter Printing	190.00	LGA(1972) s142
Vision ICT	22842	Website Hosting	156.00	LGA(1972) s142
E.ON UK plc	22843	Street Lighting	400.29	HA(1980) s301
E.ON UK plc	22844	Street Lighting Repairs	52.16	HA(1980) s301
Lamley Brothers	22845	Mowing	609.60	Opens Spaces Act 1906
Argos Business Solutions	22846	Youth Club Playstation etc	539.87	LG (MP)Act 1976
Lamley Brothers	101	Mowing *	720.00	Opens Spaces Act 1906
(*Paid from ring-fenced maintenance funds to be used on the Open-space at Onley.)				
8.4	Notification of conclusion of Audit. There were no issues to report.			
8.5	Risk Assessment - It was reported that Councillor Downes and Cotton had carried out a risk assessment. This was approved.			
8.6	It was resolved to order a Bench for the Bus shelter at cost of £245 + £42 delivery = £286.80. It was resolved to reallocate £250 from the Sports Field Repairs fund. Councillor D Cotton to arrange collection.			
<i>Councillor A Sabine left the meeting at 20.35</i>				
9	LEASES WITH TOWNLANDS CHARITY			
9.1	Leases for Sports Field, Play Area and Tennis Court between then Barby Townlands and Educational Charity and Barby & Onley Parish Council were signed. The Clerk to appoint a Solicitor and obtain quotes for first registration.			
10	YOUTH / PLAY AREAS			
10.1	Safety Reports on all play areas had been completed. Councillor Cooper reported that there had been damage to the fence and memorial bench in Onley Play Area. The Clerk to arrange repair. Councillor Vale reported that Barby Play Area needs the step logs and rotten base pole replaced.			
10.2	Onley Youth Club re- launch event was held on SAT 5 SEPT.			
10.3	It was reported that Claire Griffin had restarted the Youth Club and had several helpers. The store room door lock would not open so she was unable to store the equipment away at the end of the session. The village hall committee is aware of the problem.			

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11	HIGHWAYS	
11.1	Councillor C Lomax agreed to meet Ian Boyes of Northamptonshire Highways at 10am on Wed 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.	
12	ONLEY	
12.1	Councillor Cooper to obtain quotes for tree works and raising the crown of trees at Onley. Quotes to be brought to the next meeting.	
12.2	It was reported that the residents of Onley got a water rebate following the leak in March.	
12.3	It was agreed to arrange for the BT red phone kiosk to be repainted. The Clerk is still sourcing paint.	
12.4	The County Councillor has provided a grant of £500 to OPRA to try and get the roads adopted.	
12.5	It was reported that OPRA are having a meeting with Ryehill to hear future plans for the Prison complex.	
12.6	Weed Killing is required on the Estate. The Clerk to arrange with the mowing contractors.	
13	CORRESPONDENCE	
13.1	Local Council Review Magazine – to be circulated.	
13.2	SLCC Clerk Magazine and details of National Conference	
13.3	Northants CALC “Update” – circulated to all Councillors by email	
13.4	Nominations for Daventry District Sports Award	
13.5	DDC Big Switch Energy saving Autumn Auction – offering better deals on energy.	
13.6	Local Council Award Scheme –It was resolved to pursue the award scheme.	
14	REFUGEE CRISIS	
14.1	To consider a response to the Refugee Crisis and what Barby can do. Councillor Betty Ritchie agreed to produce a briefing paper for consideration at the next parish council meeting. AGENDA	
15	CODE OF CONDUCT	
15.1	It was resolved to alter Barby & Onley Parish Council code of conduct in line with DDC alterations.	
16	ENVIRONMENT	
16.1	Councillor Downes was thanked for arranging a village litter pick. Another to be arranged in the spring.	
16.2	Councillor Downes was thanked for painting preservative on the parish notice boards. He said that he is prepared to do the benches and litter bins if provided with more preservative. Clerk to arrange this.	
16.3	There has been a request for a litter bin in the gate way adjacent to the Skate Park. Councillor Downes to chain a Brown Bin to the inside of the fence in this location.	
16.4	It was reported that the hedge around the Allotment on the northern side has nettles growing over the pavement. Clerk to arrange for the nettles to be strimmed.	
16.5	It was reported that the street name plates require cleaning. Clerk to arrange this.	
16.6	The Parish Council were notified of a footpath deviation to allow Onley Marina to be built.	
17	ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA	
17.1	Councillor Jones asked for an item on the agenda to allow residents to report anything dangerous. The Clerk asked that anyone who noticed anything dangerous should contact the Clerk immediately.	

In the absence of further business the meeting closed at 21.35

Next Meeting- Mon 12th October 2015 at Barby Village Hall.