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| **Minutes of Barnston Parish Council Meeting held on** | | | | | |
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|  | **Monday 11th April 2016 at Barnston Village Hall** | | | | | |
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| Present: | | | Cllr. R. Burlend | Cllr. V. Ranger | Cllr. P. Singleton | |
|  | | | Cllr. S.Sellens | Cllr. D. Jackaman | Cllr. M. Sully | |
|  | | | Mrs C. Hartley (Clerk) |  |  | |
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|  | **1.00** | **Apologies** – Cllr. D. Ranger, Cllr J. Clyne, Cllr. S. Barker, Cllr. S.Tuttlebury, | | | |  |
|  |  | Cllr. G.Barker, Cllr. Hicks | | | |  |
|  | **2.00** | **Declaration of Interest** –None | | | |  |
|  | **3.00** | **Public Forum** – 9 members of the public present. | | | |  |
|  |  | The following issues were discussed: | | | |  |
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|  |  | The ongoing proposal for a pedestrian crossing on the B1008 in | | | |  |
|  |  | Barnston – this matter is still under consideration by Highways. | | | |  |
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|  |  | The need for resurfacing in Rayfield Close – Cllr Ranger has | | | |  |
|  |  | previously contacted Highways regarding this matter. | | | |  |
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|  |  | Obstruction of refuse collection vehicles caused by residents’ parking. | | | |  |
|  |  | Cllr Ranger advised that Uttlesford DC Waste dept. should be contacted | | | |  |
|  |  | directly. | | | |  |
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|  |  | Concerns raised regarding the increasing volume of HGV traffic | | | |  |
|  |  | through the village.  This matter has been raised repeatedly by | | | |  |
|  |  | the parish council to both Highways and UDC and will continue to | | | |  |
|  |  | be a priority agenda item until the matter has been resolved. | | | |  |
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|  |  | Concerns raised regarding the erection of horseriding jumps | | | |  |
|  |  | in the Stony Ground Spring area near to Barnston Brook.  Residents | | | |  |
|  |  | are concerned that the jumps are close to the public footpath and | | | |  |
|  |  | could potentially be a hazard to the public.  Parish council to contact | | | |  |
|  |  | ECC Footpaths Officer to investigate. | | | |  |
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|  | **4.00** | **District and County Councillors Report** | | | | VR |
|  |  | Cllr Ranger reported that a district level Devolution workshop has been | | | |  |
|  |  | scheduled.  A date will shortly be set for the Local Plan discussion. | | | |  |
|  | **5.00** | **Road Safety** | | | |  |
|  |  | Cllr Ranger has prepared an interim report to ECC documenting a number | | | |  |
|  |  | of road safety improvements that have been proposed by both councillors | | | | VR |
|  |  | and residents. | | | |  |
|  | **6.00** | **MINUTES** | | | |  |
|  |  | The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th March 2016 were approved and signed. | | | |  |
|  | **7.00** | **CLERKS REPORT** | | | |  |
|  | **7.01** | Pyes Farm – notification received that the new barn conversion has | | | |  |
|  |  | been named ‘The Barn’. | | | |  |
|  | **7.02** | Alleged breach of planning – Skyline Hotel. | | | |  |
|  |  | Complaint had been made to UDC regarding parking of cars in the hotel | | | |  |
|  |  | by drivers using Stansted Airport.  The hotel already have planning | | | |  |
|  |  | permission for this activity and so the file has been closed. | | | |  |
|  | **7.03** | Tractor – the new tractor has been received and is already in use. | | | |  |
|  | **8.00** | **FINANCIAL POSITION** | | | |  |
|  |  | The financial position as at 31st March 2016 was £19,740.41 in the current account. | | | |  |
|  | **8.01** | **EALC Affiliation fee renewal.** | | | |  |
|  |  | It was resolved that the affiliation fee would be renewed for 2016/17. | | | |  |
|  | **9.00** | **Items from previous meeting**:  none. | | | |  |
|  | **10.00** | **Planning Applications:** UTT/16/0721/HHF – 46 Barnston Green, Dunmow. | | | |  |
|  |  | Application received. | | | |  |
|  | **11.00** | **Planning Applications Determined:** UTT/16/0223/HHF – Homelands, | | | |  |
|  |  | Berners End.  Application approved with conditions. | | | |  |
|  | **12.00** | **Planning Appeals:** None received. | | | |  |
|  | **13.00** | **General Correspondence to note:** | | | |  |
|  | **13.01** | Complaint from resident regarding damage to grass verges caused by heavy | | | |  |
|  |  | lorries. Cllr Burlend has requested that Cllr Susan Barker raise this matter | | | |  |
|  |  | with Highways in conjunction with the ongoing problem of increased HGV | | | |  |
|  |  | traffic through the village. | | | |  |
|  | **14.00** | **EALC news**– none to report. | | | |  |
|  | **14.01** | **Bus news:** - none to report. | | | |  |
|  | **14.00** | **CHEQUES** – The following cheques were agreed and signed at the meeting: | | | |  |
|  |  | **Cheques** | | | | **£** |
|  |  | Mrs C. Hartley | | | | 320.37 |
|  |  | Mrs C. Hartley (Expenses) | | | | 19.04 |
|  |  | Mr A. Vince | | | | 424.60 |
|  |  | Mr A. Vince (Expenses) | | | | 62.99 |
|  |  | Essex Pension Fund | | | | 87.31 |
|  |  | Post Office Ltd (HMRC PAYE) | | | | 77.40 |
|  |  | Barnston Village Hall (March hire) | | | | 11.55 |
|  |  | George Browns Ltd (new tractor) | | | | 4220.00 |
|  |  | EALC affiliation fee | | | | 265.71 |
|  |  | Acumen Wages Service (year end filing to HMRC) | | | | 48.00 |
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|  |  | **Direct Debits/Standing Orders** | | | | **£** |
|  |  | EON | | | | 59.06 |
|  |  | A&J Lighting Solutions | | | | 56.58 |
|  |  | A&J Lighting Solutions (repair to lamp in Chelmsford Road) | | | | 154.68 |
|  |  | UDC – Garage Rent | | | | 50.88 |
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|  |  | There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.                  The next Parish Council meeting will take place on **Monday 9th May at 7.45pm.** | | | |  |
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