# **MINUTES OF BARNSTON PARISH COUNCIL** MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019 - BARNSTON VILLAGE HALL

### Present:

Cllr R Burlend MBE (Chairman)	Cllr S Tuttlebury	Cllr M Jaggard
Cllr G Barker	Cllr J Hills	Mrs F Jupp (Clerk)
Cllr V Ranger	Cllr D Jackaman	1 Member of public
Cllr J Clyne MVO	Cllr P Singleton	

1.00	Apologies for Absence	
	Cllr E Hicks, Cllr S Sellens, Cllr S Barker	
2.00	<u>Declaration of Interest</u>	
	Cllr J Hills declared an interest in planning item 11: UTT/18/2903/LB	
3.00	Public Forum	
	One member of the public was present and expressed his concerns about the current state of the footpath on Buttles Hill. He reported that soil and vegetation have encroached onto the footpath, narrowing its width and making it dangerous for pedestrians.  A discussion ensued based around the clearing of the footpath in order to make it safe for pedestrians.	
	Cllr Ranger explained that owing to health and safety constraints surrounding the clearing of the footpath, traffic management would need to be in place.	

Cllr Jackaman also commented on the condition of the pavement verges on the B1008, approaching Barnston from Chelmsford.

Cllr Ranger agreed to communicate this matter to Cllr Kevin Bentley, The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Infrastructure. **ACTION: CLLR RANGER** 

The member of public questioned the positioning of the newly installed deer signs. Cllr Barker agreed to review their positions and report back to the Council.

The member of public also raised concerns about the volume of litter that had been distributed as a result of the hedge cutting on Buttles Hill. Cllr Barker explained how Highways coordinate the grass cutting and litter picking schedules. He explained that on some occasions this can be slightly out of synchronisation, however he provided reassurance that the matter would be addressed.

A discussion ensued regarding the reconfiguration of the mini roundabout at the junction of High Easter Road. Cllr G Barker reported on behalf of Cllr S Barker that the funding for this project had been agreed.

4.00	District & County Councillors Report	
	Cllr Ranger provided information on the Sustainability Appraisal to the Regulation 19 Pre-Submission Local Plan. Comments are invited until 25 February 2019.	
	Cllr Barker reported on behalf of Cllr S Barker that an area of uneven road surface on Rayfield Close will be scheduled for repair in due course.	
	Cllr J Hills raised concerns about the road level changes on Chelmsford Road, approaching Barnston. Cllr Ranger agreed to look into this. ACTION: CLLR RANGER	
	Cllr G Barker reported that 2 Deer signs have now been installed in Barnston.	
5.00	Road Safety	
	Cllr Hills reported a recent accident involve two vehicles on Chelmsford Road.	
6.00	Minutes of Previous Meeting	
	It was noted that Item 5 in the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday $10^{th}$ December should read 'between Dunmow and Rayne' and not 'through the neighbouring village of Rayne'. This was amended and the Minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Richard Burlend, Chairman.	
7.00	Action Points from previous Meeting	
	Cllr Jonathan Hills agreed to investigate the possibility of a salt spreading service in Barnston. Cllr Jaggard agreed to provide a quotation for this service. ACTION: CLLR JAGGARD	
	Cllr Graham Barker reported that the pest control at the Travellers site on Parsonage Lane had been effective. It was agreed that the parish clerk will continue to liaise with the pest controllers to monitor this situation. ACTION:  PARISH CLERK & CLLR J HILLS	
	The solar light unit for the bus stop near Rayfield Close has been purchased and the handyman will install it in due course. <b>ACTION PARISH CLERK</b>	
	The Clerk presented a quotation for the remarking of the bus stop on Chelmsford Road. The quotation was agreed. <b>ACTION PARISH CLERK</b>	
	The Clerk reported that the second street light on High Easter Road had been repaired.	
	Cllr Singleton agreed to liaise with the football club regarding the increase of litter in the surrounding area. <b>ACTION: CLLR SINGLETON</b>	

# 8.00 Clerk's Report

The clerk reported that letters had been issued to residents regarding overgrown vegetation. The clerk also reported that Cllr S Barker had received a complaint about the overgrown vegetation.

There was a general discussion about encroaching vegetation onto roads and footpaths.

The clerk agreed to re-issue the notices to residents. **ACTION PARISH CLERK** 

## 9.00 Financial Position

The financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 was £ 39,128.73 in the current account.

## 10.00 | 2019/2020 Budget and Precept (Previously Circulated)

The Precept was discussed in detail for 2019/2020 and it would consist of a 1% increase.

The Clerk reported that she had met with the accountant to finalise the draft budget.

The Precept was agreed at £27,450. The paperwork was completed and signed by both the Chairman and Parish Clerk. **ACTION: PARISH CLERK** 

A discussion ensued surrounding the Parish website and the various options available to renovate the existing one. Cllr Clyne agreed to supply contact details and the clerk agreed to liaise with them. **ACTION: PARISH CLERK** 

Cllr Clyne suggested the possibility of replacing the speed signs and upgrading them to indicate speed, the actual speed and a face that reflects the speed. Cllr Clyne agreed to research this further. Cllr Ranger to investigate other signs that incorporate ANPR data.

**ACTION: CLLR CLYNE and CLLR RANGER** 

### 11.00 | Planning Applications

UTT/18/2903/LB | Demolition of existing two storey rear extension and erection of replacement two storey rear extension and replacement front porch. Replacement windows and doors. Retention of repairs and renovations including internal and external renovations to brick plinths and removal of garden wall | Pear Tree Cottage, Chelmsford Road, Barnston CM6 3PS - Noted

UTT/18/2902/HHF | Part Section 73A Retrospective application for the demolition of existing two storey rear extension and erection of replacement two storey rear extension, replacement front porch and erection of 3 sheds, summerhouse, and garden storage building, replacement front gates and new boundary fence | Pear Tree Cottage, Chelmsford Road, Barnston CM6 3PS-Comments ACTION: PARISH CLERK

UTT/18/3363/HHF | Proposed first floor rear extension and conversion of garage into habitable space. | 29 Barnston Green, Barnston CM6 1PH –

	Comments ACTION: PARISH CLERK	
12.00	Planning Applications Determined	
	UTT/18/2806/HHF   Alterations to entrance porch and erection of new store/outbuilding.   Albans, High Easter Road, Barnston, CM6 1ND - Approved with Conditions.	
	UTT/18/2807/LB   Alterations to entrance porch.   Albans, High Easter Road, Barnston CM6 1ND - Approved with Conditions	
	UTT/18/3093/PAP3Q   Prior Notification of change of use of agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling   Corn Barn, Wells Tye Farm, High Easter Road, Barnston CM6 1ND – Approved- Prior Approval Not Required	
13.00	Planning Appeals - Nil	
14.00	General Correspondence to note - Nil	
15.00	EALC – Various (SS) – Nil	
16.00	Bus News (ST)	
	Cllr S Tuttlebury reported that Essex County Council had launched a consultation to find out how important evening and Sunday local bus services are to residents. Cllr Tuttlebury will display information leaflets on the bus stop notice boards.	
17.00	Any Other Business	

The following invoices were initialled for payment via internet banking:

Mr A Vince	£356.8
(Salary)	0
Mrs F Jupp	£380.7
(Salary)	8
Solar Illumations – Solar light for bus stop incl VAT	£
	407.99
Cllr R Burlend Expenses	£
	90.30
HMRC	£
PAYE	89.20
Barnston Village	f 12.
Hall	75
James Todd &	£ 31.
Co	20

Pest Defence Ltd	£
	432.00
DIRECT DEBITS/STANDING ORDERS	
EON	£
	85.25
A&J Lighting	£
Solutions	139.02
A&J Lighting Solutions	£
	59.88
A&J Lighting Solutions	f
Act Lighting Solutions	78.00
	76,60
UDC	£ 53.4
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The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 7:45 p.m. at Barnston Village Hall.

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