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| **Minutes of Barnston Parish Council Meeting held on** |
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|   | **Monday 12th October 2015 at Barnston Village Hall** |
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| Present: | Cllr. R. Burlend | Cllr. V. Ranger | Cllr. P. Singleton |
|   | Cllr. S. Tuttlebury | Cllr. D. Ranger | Cllr. M. Sully |
|   | Cllr. S.Sellens | Cllr. J. Clyne | Mrs C. Hartley (Clerk) |
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|   | **1.00** | **Apologies** – Cllr. S.Barker, Cllr. G. Barker, Cllr. Hicks |   |
|   | **2.00** | **Declaration of Interest** –None |   |
|   | **3.00** | **Public Forum** – One member of the public present. |   |
|   | **3.01** | A question was raised by a member of the public regarding the speed limit on |   |
|   |  | Parsonage Lane.  Cllr Ranger to investigate whether the limit could be made |   |
|   |  | clearer for motorists. |   |
|   | **4.00** | **District and County Councillors Report** | VR |
|   |  | Cllr. Ranger reported on a number of useful local events including the ‘Safer |   |
|   |  | Living’ roadshow, the Housing Strategy forum and a Woodland Burial |   |
|   |  | meeting.  |   |
|   |  | It was also noted that the council should continue to lobby for a weight |   |
|   |  | restriction to the B1008 despite indications to the contrary. |   |
|   | **5.00** | **Road Safety** |   |
|   |  | Cllr. V. Ranger reported that a new volunteer had undertaken speedwatch | VR |
|   |  | training. |   |
|   | **6.00** | **MINUTES** |   |
|   |   | The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 14th September 2015 were approved and signed. |   |
|   | **7.00** | **CLERKS REPORT** |   |
|   |  | **Precept** - The second instalment of the precept was received on 15th October of £10,690. | CH |
|   |  | **Training** - Clerk to attend ‘New Clerks Training Day’ to improve knowledge – no cost to the council. |   |
|   |  | **Football nets –**Handyperson to investigate repairs to fencing in Rayfield |   |
|   |  | Close park due to weight of football nets attached to the fence. |   |
|   |  | **Onslow Green –**this area received extensive clearing and tidying by Cllr |   |
|   |  | Sully and Handyperson. |   |
|   | **8.00** | **FINANCIAL POSITION** |   |
|   |  | The financial position as at 30 September 2015 was £29,372.94 in the current account. |   |
|   | **8.01** | **Audited Annual Return** – received from accountants and displayed on noticeboards accordingly. |   |
|   | **9.00** | **ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** |   |
|   | **9.01** | **Barnston United Charities – Annual Report & Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2015** | MS |
|   |  | Cllr. Sully reported that the bulk of the financial information had been received and accounts can now be prepared. |   |
|   | **11.00** | **Planning Applications:** None received. |   |
|   | **12.00** | **Planning Applications Determined:** None received. |   |
|   | **13.00** | **Planning Appeals:** None received. |   |
|   | **14.00** | **General Correspondence to note:** |   |
|   | **14.01** | **Bus News**:  Cllr Tuttlebury reported that the First Essex bus survey is now | ST |
|   |  | available for completion online. |   |
|   | **14.02** | **Dunmow Police station**: Cllr Sellens clarified that just the ‘front desk’ facility at Dunmow Police Station will be closing and not the entire building following a newspaper report last week.  | SS |
|   |  | **Ramblers Association**:  Cllr Sellens informed that the Ramblers Association | SS |
|   |  | Have created a new app which can be downloaded from their website. |   |
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|   | **15.00** | **CHEQUES** – The following cheques were agreed and signed at the meeting: |   |
|   |  | **Cheques** | **£** |
|   |  | Mrs C. Hartley | 251.44 |
|   |  | Mr A. Vince | 422.26 |
|   |  | Mr A. Vince (Expenses) | 55.98 |
|   |  | Argos Ltd (winter salt storage boxes) | 208.93 |
|   |  | Post Office Ltd (HMRC PAYE) | 63.60 |
|   |  | Essex Pension Fund (backdated to 1st June 2015) | 154.22 |
|   |  | N Powell Davies (accounting fee) | 60.00 |
|   |  | PKF Littlejohn(external audit fee) | 120.00 |
|   |  | Barnston Village Hall (September meeting hire) | 11.55 |
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|   |  | **Direct Debits/Standing Orders** | **£** |
|   |  | EON | 57.15 |
|   |  | A&J Lighting Solutions | 56.58 |
|   |  | UDC – Garage Rent | 50.05 |
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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 November 2015 at 7.45 p.m.** |   |
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