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| **Minutes of Barnston Parish Council Meeting held on** |
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|   | **Monday 14th September 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. Barker | Mrs C. Hartley (Clerk) |   |
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|   | **1.00** | **Apologies** – Cllr. S. Sellens, Cllr J. Clyne, Cllr. G. Barker, Cllr. Hicks |   |
|   | **2.00** | **Declaration of Interest** –None |   |
|   | **3.00** | **Public Forum** – No members of the public present. |   |
|   | **4.00** | **District and County Councillors Report** | SB |
|   |  | Cllr. S. Barker gave a report on the progress of the application for a pedestrian crossing at the B1008.  Funding from the Highways Panel will not be available until January 2016 at which time the criteria needed to progress the application will be reviewed.  The discussion regarding the potential road widening of the B1008 upon the approach into the village from Dunmow is also under review. |   |
|   | **5.00** | **Road Safety** |   |
|   |  | Cllr. V. Ranger reported that he had contacted Lisa Lipscombe at UDC regarding the road traffic accident that occurred on the B1008 on 22nd August. It was noted that police reports of such incidents in the area would facilitate the request for the pedestrian crossing.  Cllr Sully to make enquiries regarding information to this effect. | VR |
|   | **6.00** | **MINUTES** |   |
|   |   | The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th July 2015 were approved and signed. |   |
|   | **7.00** | **CLERKS REPORT** |   |
|   | **7.01** | **Handyperson** |   |
|   |   | Football nets have been put up in both parks.  Additional groundwork completed in Barnston Green. |   |
|   | **7.02** | **Lighting Cowl** |   |
|   |  | A proposal to fit a lighting cowl to the street lamp adjacent to the Village Hall was deemed unsuitable as it would prevent adequate illumination to the footpath. An alternative solution is currently being sought. |   |
|   | **8.00** | **FINANCIAL POSITION** |   |
|   |  | The financial position as at 31 August 2015 was £20,253.78 in the current account. |   |
|   | **8.01** | **Statement of first quarter accounts.** |   |
|   |  | Received and noted. |   |
|   | **8.02** | **Resolution for Parish Clerk to be admitted to Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS):** Resolved |   |
|   | **9.00** | **ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** |   |
|   | **9.01** | **Barnston United Charities – Annual Report & Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2015** |   |
|   |  | Cllr. Sully is in the process of preparing the annual report. | MS |
|   | **10.00** | **Winter Salt Bag scheme** – it was resolved to purchase two 1200 litre containers to store the winter salt. Clerk to action. |   |
|   | **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 on a vehicle breakdown in the village. |   |
|   | **14.02** | **UDC – High Easter Road closure-**Discussion regarding residents’dissatisfaction relating to the road closure by the developers. |   |
|   | **14.03** | **Solar Farm Consultation**- application is understood to be proceeding. |   |
|   | **14.04** | **Correspondence from Village Hall regarding general maintenance**– Itwas agreed that correspondence would be passed to the Handyman for consideration and action as necessary. | RB |
|   | **15.06** | **CHEQUES** – The following cheques were agreed and signed at the meeting: |   |
|   |  | **Cheques** | **£** |
|   |  | Mrs C. Hartley | 280.72 |
|   |  | Mr A. Vince | 398.38 |
|   |  | Mr A. Vince (Expenses) | 155.70 |
|   |  | Acumen Wages Service (Payroll Aug and Sept 2015) | 48.00 |
|   |  | Mrs C. Hartley (Expenses) | 8.00 |
|   |  | Post Office Ltd (HMRC PAYE) | 65.20 |
|   |  | M. Howard (Auditor fee) | 150.00 |
|   |  | Docsoft IT Ltd | 27.60 |
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|   |  | **Direct Debits/Standing Orders** | **£** |
|   |  | EON | 59.06 |
|   |  | 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 12th October 2015 at 7.45 p.m.** |   |
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