



# MINUTES OF THE BARLOW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4 DECEMBER 2023 AT BARLOW VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT** Councillors Cllr Hall (Chair), Brougham, Cribley, Herrmann,  
Ibbotson, Marshall, Siddall and Taylor

**IN ATTENDANCE** Emma Smith (Parish Clerk)

## 1 member of the public

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- 01/1223 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
Cllr Pamela Jones – District Councillor  
Cllr Foster – County Councillor
- 02/1223 VARIATION TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
No variations to the order of business.
- 03/1223 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTEREST**  
No declarations of interest.
- 04/1223 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**  
No confidential matters
- 05/1223 PUBLIC SPEAKING**  
Cllr Hall spoke about the party that booked the hall after the Carnival Christmas Fair and stated that the hall was left in a mess so the deposit has been kept.  
Cllr Hall thanked Cllr Ibbotson for putting up and taking down the Remembrance poppies.
- 06/1223 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6 NOVEMBER 2023**  
**RESOLVED** Council approved the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6 November 2023.
- 07/1223 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**  
No matters arose from the minutes.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 08/1223 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATION**  
No planning applications have been received.
- 09/1223 PLANNING DECISIONS**
- NED 23/00826/DISCON – Application to discharge condition 3 (ground report), condition 4 (drainage), condition 5 (bat survey), condition 8 (Ecology enhancement) and condition 9 (materials) pursuant to planning application 20/00671/FL at Highbrook, Far Lane, Barlow – **Conditions Discharged – 17 November 2023**  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 10/1223 ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**  
No other planning matters circulated.
- 11/1223 PLANNING APPLICATIONS CIRCULATED AT THE MEETING**  
No planning applications received.
- 12/1223 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr Jones was not in attendance. Cllr Jones submitted a report regarding an issue of concern. At Mondays District Council meeting there was a proposal put forward by the Labour lead majority of Council as from January if a planning application goes to Planning Committee only 3 people are allowed to speak for and 3 against the application. This was debated fully by all sides and the motion carried. If any member of the Council has any issue with this or would like to discuss this further please contact me.

**RESOLVED** noted. No comments made regarding the carried motion. Clerk to contact Cllr Jones to arrange a meeting on a different evening from the scheduled monthly Parish Council meetings.

**13/1223 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr Foster was not in attendance and did not submit a report.

**14/1223 POLICE LIASION OFFICER AND CRIME REPORT**

Crime report for November 2023

1 x Violent crime against a person

1 x Theft

1 x Public Order

**RESOLVED** noted.

**15/1223 DALC CIRCULAR FOR NOVEMBER 2023**

**RESOLVED** noted.

**16/1223 SPEEDWATCH SESSIONS**

No speed watch sessions held since the last meeting. A speed watch session has been arranged for 6 December 2023.

**RESOLVED** noted.

**17/1223 NEDDC CHAIRMANS CHARITY EVENT–BURNS NIGHT**

To celebrate the birth of Scotland's national bard, Chesterfield Football Stadium is the venue for our popular Burns Night on Friday 26 January 2024.

**RESOLVED** noted.

**18/1223 POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER BUDGET 2024/25**

**RESOLVED** noted. No comments made regarding the proposed budget.

**19/1223 CONFERENCE FOR PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS**

23 February 2024.

**RESOLVED** noted. Clerk will be attending the conference on behalf of the Council.

**20/1223 NOTICE OF FOOTPATH ORDER – FOOTPATH 39(Part)**

**RESOLVED** no comments made regarding the proposed changes.

- 21/1223 PAINTING RAILS AT THE CORONATION TREE**  
Grant confirmation has been received from Cllr Foster regarding the painting of the Coronation Tree railings in aid of the Kings Coronation - £500.00.  
**RESOLVED** Council thanked Cllr Foster for the grant towards the railings and approved additional cost of £180.00.
- 22/1223 COMMUNITY ACTION GRANT – NATURE CLUB**  
Barlow Nature Club has been awarded the £500.00 community grant from NEDDC.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 23/1223 REQUEST TO USE THE HALL FOR COMMUNITY FIRST AID**  
**RESOLVED** approved free of charge.
- 24/1223 MEETING WITH DCC REGARDING PARKING AT WILKIN HILL**  
Cllr Hall, Ibbotson, Marshall, Siddall and Taylor met with an Officer of Derbyshire County Council on 8 November 2023 to discuss various highways issues in Barlow.  
Congestion at the top of the village – The Officer felt that nothing further could be done to improve the situation on the Main Road. However, they suggested two further small areas of double yellow lines, lower down on Wilkin Hill, to enable drivers to pull in to allow a car coming in the opposite direction to pass and suggested putting some on the bend near the top.  
The creation of further traffic on Wilkin Hill due to the closure of Commonsides Road – This was noted during the meeting.  
Yellow flashing school lights – The officer knew about the Councils application. They explained that another batch has been ordered, but that it was the current lack of correctly skilled contractors that would contribute to the delay in installation.  
Third 30mph warning light – Cllr Ibbotson pointed out that there was a third 30mph warning light, shortly after passing Hackney House in the Chesterfield direction, which was hidden from motorists by tree foliage. This was noted by the Officer.  
Cllr Cribbley’s appeal for fencing opposite the old Methodist Chapel, to help the pedestrians. – Sadly there was nothing that could be done about this.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 25/1223 VILLAGE GREEN BORDERS**  
The volunteers who tend currently to the village borders at the village green can no longer commit to this work.  
**RESOLVED** a plea for volunteers is to be placed in the Parish magazine and Facebook page.

- 26/1223      SPRINGFIELD ROAD PARKING ISSUES**  
No further updates have been received.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 27/1223      NEDDC LEADER ATTENDING THE COUNCIL MEETING IN FEB**  
Clerk notified Council that the Leader would be attending the parish Council meeting on 5 February 2024.  
**RESOLVED** Clerk to rearrange the date for the Leader to meet Councillors and Parishioners.
- 28/1223      MEETING WITH MR HILL**  
Clerk has received no further correspondence from Mr Hill.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 29/1223      FINANCE REPORT**  
**RESOLVED** Approved the income and expenditure reports for December 2023 along with the November 2023 bank reconciliation. (Appendix 1).
- 30/1223      VILLAGE HALL MONTHLY INSPECTION REPORT**  
**RESOLVED** noted report.
- 31/1223      WEEKLY PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2023**  
**RESOLVED** noted reports.
- 32/1223      WEEKLY PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS REPORT**  
**RESOLVED** Week commencing 11 December – Cllr Siddall  
Week commencing 18 December – Cllr Taylor  
Week commencing 25 December – Cllr Brougham  
Week commencing 1 January – Cllr Ibbotson  
Week commencing 8 January – Cllr Brougham
- 33/1223      ACTIVITIES WHICH COULD BE OFFERED IN THE VILLAGE HALL**  
Clerk to look into costings associated with running a cinema evening at the Village Hall. Clerk spoke about a wreath making session in December next year.  
**RESOLVED** Clerk to enquire about the wreath making courses and the costs associated with it.
- 34/1223      REQUEST FOR CEILIDH DANCING IN THE VILLAGE HALL**  
**RESOLVED** Clerk to contact resident and ask who else maybe interested in Ceilidh dancing to ensure it is worth pursuing.
- 35/1223      YOUNG FARMERS TO USE THE VILLAGE GREEN ON 8 DEC**  
**RESOLVED** approved.

- 36/1223 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING AT VILLAGE HALL CARPARK**  
Clerk circulated information received from a company promoting electric vehicle charge points in Community Hall car parks.  
**RESOLVED** Council do not feel that there would be much uptake on charging within the Village Hall.
- 37/1223 TOILET DRAINAGE ISSUES AT THE VILLAGE HALL**  
Clerk obtained a quotation to clear the drains and survey the current setup costing £495.00.  
**RESOLVED** approved survey and clearance of the drains. Clerk to obtain a quotation for the same survey from another contractor.
- 38/1223 VILLAGE HALL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**  
Clerk read out an email received from the Red Barrows –  
Just a quick note to say thank you to Barlow Parish Council for use of the Village Hall on Saturday 18 November. The event was once again a great success with the presentation of a cheque to a representative of Macmillan and a moving speech about the work they do to help people with cancer. The event itself raised £2,150 with a three course meal, raffle and auction. All the money raised will be forwarded to the Charity. The use of the village hall provides a fantastic venue for celebrations of all kinds and in particular offers a great opportunity for organisations to use the hall for charitable and fund raising occasions. Please forward our thanks to Barlow Parish Council. A special thank you to Cllr Ibbotson who kindly sponsored the event with potatoes and vegetables. Cllr Brougham who made an apple crumble for sixty. If Cllr Herrmann would like me to write a piece about the evening for his excellent Parish magazine I would be happy to do so.
- Clerk read out an email received from the Carnival Committee – The Carnival team would like to make a donation to the Parish Council in appreciation of your help towards making our events a success. We would like to donate £400 but as previously communicated would also consider additional requests for specific help.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 39/1223 VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT**  
No further updates.  
**RESOLVED** noted.
- 40/1223 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**  
Confidential - Clerks hours  
Heating at the Village Hall

**41/1223      DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** meeting on 8 January 2024 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed .....

Chairperson

Date 8 January 2024



Appendix 1

December  
2023

Cheque Requests

|      | <u>Payee</u>     | <u>Details</u>                        | <u>Amount</u>           | <u>Vat Rec</u>        | <u>Total</u>            |
|------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| D/D  | British Gas Lite | Electricity Bill 21/09/23 to 22/10/23 | £ 89.42                 | £ 4.47                | £ 93.89                 |
| D/D  | British Gas Lite | Gas Bill 21/09/23 to 22/10/23         | £ 60.47                 | £ 3.02                | £ 63.49                 |
| D/D  | BT               | Broadband and Telephone               | £ 16.23                 | £ 3.25                | £ 19.48                 |
| D/D  | Waterplus        | Water Charges October 2023            | £ 18.91                 | £ -                   | £ 18.91                 |
| BACS | Wish Cloud       | Annual Exchange Email and Web         | £ 248.20                | £ -                   | £ 248.20                |
| BACS | Hall Hirer SL    | Deposit Refund                        | £ 50.00                 | £ -                   | £ 50.00                 |
| BACS | W Brindley       | Grass Cutting                         | £ 2,006.40              | £ -                   | £ 2,006.40              |
| BACS | Allbright Window | Window Cleaning 03.11.23              | £ 10.00                 | £ -                   | £ 10.00                 |
| BACS | Hall Hirer - MM  | Deposit Refund                        | £ 25.00                 | £ -                   | £ 25.00                 |
| BACS | Hall Hirer - SB  | Deposit Refund                        | £ 50.00                 | £ -                   | £ 50.00                 |
| BACS | DCS Cleaning     | Cleaning of Hall                      | £ 749.39                | £ 149.88              | £ 899.27                |
| BACS | Miscellaneous    | Payroll - November 2023               | £ 1,065.64              | £ -                   | £ 1,065.64              |
|      |                  |                                       | <b><u>£4,389.66</u></b> | <b><u>£160.62</u></b> | <b><u>£4,550.28</u></b> |

## Appendix 2

Nov-23

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>PAYEE</u>                       | <u>AMOUNT</u>     |       |                   |
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|             | B/Fwd Balance 2022/23              | £34,372.44        |       |                   |
|             | PLUS INCOME SHEET (April - Mar 24) | £64,249.63        |       |                   |
|             | PLUS UNPRESENTED PAYMENTS          |                   |       |                   |
|             |                                    | CHQS              | £0.00 |                   |
|             |                                    | D/D               | £0.00 | Unity Curr        |
|             |                                    | BACS              | £0.00 | Unity Res         |
|             | Sub Total                          | £98,622.07        |       |                   |
|             | MINUS EXPENDITURE (April - Mar 24) | <u>£38,322.46</u> |       |                   |
|             |                                    | <u>£60,299.61</u> |       | <u>£60,299.61</u> |