

February 2023

Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council (BPC)

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February'23 at Barley Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr. D. Heap (Chair) Cllr. D. Goldsbrough Cllr. J. Connor Cllr. L. Hunt  
Cllr. Seymour Cllr. T. Cartmel Cllr. N. Dewhurst

**In Attendance:** C A Heap (Clerk & RFO) **Public:** Mr R. Clarkson

1.	<b>Apologies:</b> None	<b>Absent:</b>																																							
2.	<b>Councillors Declaration of Interest - None</b>																																								
3.	<b>To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 11<sup>th</sup> &amp; 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023.</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes of the meetings should be <b>APPROVED</b> and that the Chair sign them as a correct record.																																								
4.	<b>Public Participation:</b> None																																								
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6.	<b>Planning Applications for Consideration:</b>  <b>Planning matters updates following BWP 1<sup>st</sup> January meeting</b>  <b>Boothman Wood</b> Boothman Park was discussed at the February BWP meeting and it was confirmed the Borough Council had not received the information and reports requested. It was resolved to give the developer one more month to respond, the matter is on the agenda for the next meeting.  <b>Hollin Hall Farm, Blacko</b> The Chairman reported that a retrospective planning application had been refused to change agricultural land to garden. An appeal had been dismissed by the planning inspectorate in 2009. Over 10 Years had then elapsed and nothing had changed and so the applicant had submitted again and the Council had no grounds for enforcement (time barred) and the change of use was lawful.																																								

Confirmed Minutes *Dewell Heap*

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	<p><b>Alleged Unauthorised change of use of Agricultural Land to Domestic Garden and patio area PLE/23/0124 at No. 1 Narrowgates.</b>          The Chairman confirmed that the Council's short report had been submitted to the Borough Council relating to the above matter. They had confirmed receipt and that the details had been passed to an officer for consideration.</p> <p><b>Heights Lane Field, South of Heights House</b>          An Enforcement Notice has been served requiring the landowner to permanently remove the caravan from the field, cease using the land for non-agricultural purposes and to remove the hardstanding and reinstate the grassed area and wall to its former condition.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><b>Parish Maintenance &amp; Village Projects:</b></p> <p><b>Update on Additional Macadam and Drainage works to Barley Car Park</b>          Additional drainage works to the Car Park had been scheduled by the Contractor to be undertaken in late February.</p> <p><b>Update on New door to Toilet Block Storage Room</b>          The Chairman advised that the new door had been installed to the satisfaction of Cllr's. Heap &amp; Dewhurst and the NVM Ltd invoice has been paid.</p> <p><b>Update on Playground Upgrade</b>          Cllr's Heap &amp; Goldsbrough had met to look at the designs and pricing and that had raised a number of queries to be raised with the suppliers. Work will continue over the next couple of weeks to clarify specifications, options and costs and when complete it is envisaged an extraordinary meeting will be called to specifically consider and decide on the prepared design and supplier.</p> <p><b>Update on Flagpole on Turning Area</b>          The Chairman updated that a purchase order had been raised with 'Harrison Flagpoles' to supply and install the 6m flagpole and provide 3No Flags. A copy of the PO had been circulated to members along with images showing the location of the flagpole. Members confirmed they <b>AGREED</b> with the location of the Pole.</p> <p><b>Update on purchase of new Computer for the PC</b>          Cllr. Hunt updated that he had contacted companies to request quotes for supplying a new computer and expected a reply within the next few days. <b>Action: Cllr. Hunt.</b></p>
<p>8.</p>	<p><b>Update on Resident Parking</b></p> <p>The Chairman had circulated a briefing note to members with drawings clearly identifying the extent of the resident parking zone, the areas where parking will be permitted and where signs will be erected. He also explained there will be no road lines except for the permitted parking bays. Following discussion it was agreed to support the RP plan but to ask LCC to extend the resident parking area from the end of Pendle Row to the southern boundary of The Pendle Inn so protecting the area outside the Pendle Inn from inconsiderate parking. <b>Action: Cllr Heap</b> to submit PC response to formal consultation.</p> <p>Members were still concerned about the area on the blind corner outside 'Grange Barn' but decided it was better to proceed with current RP plan and request the installation of double yellow lines at a later date.</p>

	<p>Cllr. Dewhurst also expressed concern that vehicles are now parking between the Pendle Inn and The Bullion which is causing a hazard and it was suggested that a request for additional Double Yellow Lines could also be requested in this area.</p> <p>Cllr Heap suggested that the Council should concentrate on getting the permanent TRO confirmed and progressing the RP scheme before making further applications for lining outside the Village Hall and in the village. He said it should be anticipated that if the RP scheme is successful, it will bring parking pressures to the Village Hall end of the village.</p>
9.	<p><b>Traffic Issues, Turning Area, Car Park &amp; Planned Events</b></p> <p><b>Update on consultation regarding a permanent Traffic Regulation Order for road lines</b></p> <p>LCC have confirmed they are still progressing the permanent TRO. They have informed the Chairman that the sealing of the TRO is dependent on the road lines at the top of Barley Lane being extended, to date this has been delayed due to other LCC priorities and wet weather. It is expected the double yellow lines will be extended soon.</p> <p><b>Update on smoking in the Bus Shelter</b></p> <p>The Chairman updated that he was arranging to meet with the owners of the Barley Mow and will discuss their staff smoking in the shelter and also the Resident Parking and how it may affect them.</p>
10.	<p><b>Update on consideration of Coach Parking in the Village</b></p> <p>The Chairman reported that a number of Ramblers' groups had contacted the PC to request assistance with coach parking when visiting the Village. Following discussion, it was agreed to liaise with these groups and offer to put no parking cones either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On the roadside adjacent to the Bullion providing there were no vehicles parked there, or</li> <li>• On the Car Park hardstanding area next to the entrance on the understanding that the coaches kept off the macadam roadways.</li> </ul> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to agree an arrangement with PwE where coaches that parked on the car park without permission were issued with a parking charge.</p> <p>Cllr. Hunt suggested contacting PwE in the first instance to ask if the ANPR recognises different vehicle types so allowing extra charges for coach parking. <b>Action: Cllr. Heap.</b> It was recognised that additional signing would be required on the car park</p>
11.	<p><b>Removal of Dog Waste Bag Dispensers from the Village.</b></p> <p>Following discussion members felt that as most dog owners now provided their own dog waste bags the Council should remove our dog waste bag dispensers.</p>
12.	<p><b>Update on acting against the vehicle involved in collision with wall and Finger Post Sign on Barley Lane.</b></p> <p>Cllr. Connor confirmed that the driver of the car had attended the site and tried to repair the finger post sign but had been unable to affect a satisfactory repair. The land owner and the Council are aware of the vehicle registration for identification and members <b>AGREED</b> action should be taken to contact the driver to inform him the necessary repairs must be undertaken</p>

	to a satisfactory standard at his expense. The Lengthsman should be able to reset the post in a new concrete base. <b>Action:- Cllr. Hunt</b> to contact Police and vehicle owner.
13.	<p><b>Members to discuss Lee &amp; Joanne Hunt proposal to organise a celebration event in the Village to commemorate King Charles III Coronation.</b></p> <p>Cllr. Hunt suggested that he and Joanne Hunt would like to hold a meeting with residents to assess interest in organising a celebration for the Coronation. He said he would post an invitation on Facebook and ask for volunteers to help with the organisation and see if there was sufficient interest. Members discussed using the Village Hall and the Village Green as venues and Cllr. Heap confirmed that he had contacted Pendle Borough Council who had agreed to the residents using the Village Green and they also gave permission for the VG to be fenced off for the celebration if required. Cllr. Hunt confirmed that he had already spoken to a broker regarding insurance for the event. Following discussion members confirmed that they thought the celebration would be well attended and agreed to support the event.</p>
14.	<p><b>If members are willing to support the above proposal (13), Members to consider a proposal to award a grant of £500 towards any arrangements required which support the event using Section 137 Local Govt. Act 1972 powers.</b></p> <p>Following discussion and initial agreement to proceed with the Coronation Celebration with members it was RESOLVED to donate £500.00 towards costs of the event. The donation was to be used to support the fabric of the event and not to provide food and drink.</p>
15.	<p><b>Reports from Chairman</b></p> <p><b>Update on PBC deallocating the grant towards car park barrier and re-locating towards security door, flagpole and car park additional drainage works.</b></p> <p>The Chairman informed members that the PBC Grant of £2,500 allocated for the car park barrier was de-allocated at the BWP Meeting due to the project not going ahead. The funds were then re-allocated to BPC towards improvements to the toilets, the new flagpole and car park drainage.</p> <p>There had also been a previous grant allocated by PBC in 2018 towards stabilising works on the collapsed riverbank footpath at Whitehough. This project did not proceed. The Chairman suggested asking PBC to re-allocate those funds towards repairs to the dilapidated dry-stone wall between The Cabin and the VG. Following discussion members <b>AGREED</b> progress this proposal to PBC. <b>Action: Chairman</b></p>
16.	<p><b>Clerk &amp; Financial Officers Report</b></p> <p>RFO reported the current bank balance was £66,800.65 and reported on all current financial commitments. After setting these commitments aside, including reserves, the monies available for the Council to spend is £5.9k.</p>
17.	<p><b>Reports from Councillors &amp; Borough Councillor Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lengthsman jobs</b> – Cllr. Goldsbrough reported that there are piles of leaves around the bridge at the end of the playground to the VG. <b>Action:- Cllr. Connor</b> to arrange for Lengthsman to clear.</li> <li>• <b>Green waste on top car park</b> – The Chairman suggested that the waste deposited on the top car park should be removed to allow for extra car parking. PBC have agreed to process the 'garden waste' but arrangements would need to be made to remove the waste from the car park upgrade works. Costs could be around £1.5k. <b>Action:- Cllr. Heap &amp; Cartmel</b> to arrange removal of waste and stone spreading.</li> </ul>
18.	<b>Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (agenda items by 2nd March '23)</b>