

Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council

**MINUTES**

Of the meeting which took place on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014 immediately following the annual Parish Assembly at Barnacre Memorial Hall.

1. **Present:**

Councillors Gorst, T Ibison (chair), J Ibison, Kellett & Woods & 2 member of the public (LCC & Wyre Councillors)

**Apologies:**

Councillor Blackwell & Howell.

The Chair welcomed both Councillors David Williams (Wyre) & Sandra Perkins (LCC)

2. **Declaration of interests**

None to record.

3. **Minutes**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014 having been circulated previously be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

- 4. The meeting was adjourned for a period of public discussion, giving members the opportunity to update on any meetings attended, etc. The Clerk’s report was noted and discussions around several of the planning applications on the report took place. Discussions also took place regarding more housing developments in Garstang (Kepple Lane) & surrounding areas generally as there seem to be more & more / stretching local services / school intake discussions also. Councillor j Ibison had attended the Community consultation workshop at the Kenlis Arms on 22.04.14. It was interesting & urged anyone who had any strong views over the River Wyre catchment area should express their views.

Councillor J Ibison also mentioned there was a meeting on 08.04.14 which he didn’t attend but a paper for the meeting from Garry Payne was interesting to share:

**Single Local Plan**

- As a consequence of the publication of new Government guidance – the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in 2012 and the National Planning Policy Guidance (NPPG) in March 2014 – we have had to update an important piece of housing research for Wyre (and the Fylde Coast) called the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA).
- This evidence shows that we need to identify land for more new homes than we previously thought would be needed.
- That is over 400 new homes a year (within the range 400-450, and possibly up to 485). When we last consulted on the Local Plan in 2012 all the available evidence was pointing towards us needing fewer than 250 new homes a year.
- The higher number is a result of growing population, our economic ambitions and the Government’s pro-growth agenda.
- As a result of all this, the Council has determined to prepare a single Local Plan (encompassing planning strategy, policies and site allocations) instead of a separate Core Strategy and a separate Allocations DPD.
- A single Local Plan will be more effective and efficient use of resources and time. It will allow us to answer the Planning Inspector’s questions: “what, when, where and how”? It will also provide more certainty and confidence to local communities and developers about how the Borough will be shaped over the next 15 to 20 years.

Signed .....Chair

Date .....

**Timetable**

- The timetable for the single Local Plan has been revised. The key stages are:
  - preparing the initial draft Local Plan over the next year (this involves gathering the evidence, assessing potential sites, writing policies, testing the draft plan against environmental, infrastructure and sustainability criteria).
  - public consultation on initial draft Local Plan in summer 2015 (anticipated June / July 2015).
  - public consultation on the final Local Plan in early 2016 (anticipated January / February 2016).
  - public examination during second-half 2016 (anticipated April to October 2016).
  - receipt of Inspector’s Report about the Local Plan in late 2016 (anticipated December 2016).
  - adoption of the new Local Plan in early 2017 (anticipated January 2017).

**Engagement with Planning Ambassadors**

- Engagement with parish and town councils through the Planning Ambassadors will be a part of the process of preparing the new Local Plan.
- It is anticipated that further meetings to discuss potential sites will be held with the Planning Ambassadors during Summer (July / August) and Autumn (October) 2014.

**5. Introduction of Personnel Committee**

This was discussed. The two Councillors who had sent apologies would have been nominated for the Committee, but in their absence it wasn’t possible to check they would be happy to take on the role. **It was resolved that the clerk should carry the item forwards to the next meeting and if apologies rec’d again from Cllrs Blackwell or Howell the clerk will discuss with them before next meeting to see if they would be happy to take up position if nominated.**

**6. Financial**

**It was resolved that the following account balances should be approved:**

Building society account balance £4,613.60 (7 March 2014 statement)

Clerks salary account balance £276.50 (10 March 2014 statement)

**7. Precept 2014/15**

**It was noted that the £3,000 precept for 2014/15 has been received. It was credited to the bank on 03.04.14.**

**8. Standing Order instruction**

The S/O instruction for the clerk’s salary was discussed. The clerk’s salary is to be paid by S/O on the 18<sup>th</sup> of every month from May – March 2015. **It was resolved it should be signed.**

Signed .....Chair

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## 9. Payments

**It was resolved that the under mentioned payments be authorised**

<b>Cheque no</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount</b>
100222	Autela Limited	Payroll services Jan – March 2014	£31.50
100223	LALC	Annual subscription 2014/15	£310.88
100224	Easy Web Sites Ltd	Annual hosting fees	£288.00
100225	Nicky Mason	Clerk's salary for April 2014 (£277.50) & Parish Assembly notice fee (£39.84)	£317.34
100226	Clerk's salary account	Remainder of Clerk's salary 2014/15 to enable monthly payment by S/O from Lloyds TSB	£3041.50

The Parish Assembly courier advertisement fees were discussed. The Council would like the item as an agenda item in the January 2015 meeting to discuss, as this seems to be a large amount of money to advertise the meeting when we now have a website up and running.

## 15. Date of next meeting

**It was resolved that the next Parish Council meeting will be the Annual meeting, followed by an ordinary meeting, but the venue will be Calder Vale Village Hall due to refurbishment taking place in Barnacre Memorial Hall. The date is 21<sup>st</sup> May 2014.**

Additional actions for Clerk to take away –

- Report the road surface on the stream bridge, Delph Lane. It is very uneven where the new surface meets the old and is a concern for vehicles and cyclists. Clerk to inform Cllrs Woods & Kellett of the report reference number to ensure parishioners who have mentioned the road condition it has been reported.
- Report the return of the static caravan on land at the bottom of Long Lane. Probably been there now for approx 6 weeks.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Signed .....

Chair

Date .....