Minutes of the meeting of Barkston Ash Parish Council held on Monday, 17th July 2023 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

Present: Catherine Daniels, Chair, John Brassington, Jeanette Beresford, Nick Beresford, Phil Williams, Sue Williams and Guy Williams.

Also present Adrian Varley, Barkston Ash resident for the start of the meeting only.

Apologies: None.

Mr Varley had come to the meting to discuss the occupancy of a small parcel of land to the east. of the railway bridge on Saw Wells Lane. This matter was taken as first business.

An enforcement order has been placed on this land by N Y Council valid for 28 days finishing on 14th July. The Clerk and Sue Williams had reported breaches of this order to Rachel Robinson, Enforcement Officer, but had not received any reply. Jeanette Beresford is to use the Land Registry app to find out who owns the land. Once this is known the Parish Council can make a formal complaint to N Y Council to ascertain when they are to take action following the enforcement order. The Clerk will also contact Cllr Andrew Lee. Mr Varley to be kept informed of further developments.

Matters Arising:

- a) Parking on the grass verge opposite the school entrance is still happening. The introduction of bollards on the verge has moved the problem further down the verge. It was suggested that two or three wooden planters be placed on the verge with 'No Parking' signs attached. The Clerk will purchase the planters and Catherine Daniels to organise the signs.
- b) There has been no decision from the Road Safety division of N Y Council regarding the provision of a crossing warden at The Ash Tree Inn.
- c) Dog/Litter Bins: Three litter bins have been ordered. The dog waste bins on the A162 were refused due to the problems related to collecting the waste.
- d) Village Gateways: Nick Beresford suggested potential positions:
 - In front of the 30mph signs on A162 north and south, on Headwell Lane site to be decided, front of 30mph sign on Common Road south side only as verge to narrow on north. Once final size and positions are decided a street furniture application will be made. The design is to follow that of the existing gateways in Towton. The Chair thanked Nick for his work on the project.

 e) Website – The news items on the website to be updated by Jeanette Beresford. The 20's plenty campaign information to be updated by John Brassington and passed to Jeanette Beresford who will include links to local and national sites.

The audited accounts for 2022/3 will be published on the website.

Finance:

Invoices for payment were approved Phil Williams and seconded Guy Williams.

Parker Hartley – payroll and audit feed - £153.60

HMRC – national insurance - £ 67.20

Clerks Fee – June/July £178.76

Meticulous Gardens – grass cutting £110.00

Land Registry £ 29.95

Planning.

2022/1417/HPA Conversion of garage roof space to office with external staircase. This application has been Refused.

2022/0423/LBC Listed building consent for conversion of a barn to 4 bed dwelling at Turpin Hall Farm has been Granted.

ZG2023/0647/FUL Conversion of barn to 4 bed dwelling and garage at Old Manor Barn, Back Lane. Plans were viewed and it was noted that N Y Highways had requested further plans showing location of the garage. No observations were made.

Any Other Business.

A CPR day or evening course is to be held in the autumn in the Village Hall. Dr Turton will be asked to run this as she had previously.

Flying Legends – it was agreed that the road closures had been handled well and there had been no congestion in or around the village.

Nick Beresford asked if the council could request an extension to the no parking restriction in Orchard Close to cover the area opposite 'The Lodge' as the resident cannot pull into the drive if cars are parked opposite.

Guy Williams asked if N Y Council could be contacted regarding the double yellow lines south of Sandwath Lane, Church Fenton. Cars parking at the end of the restriction are on the brow of the hill and restrict the view of traffic travelling on Common Road. Cars are forced to the middle of the road to pass parked cars and have no view of vehicles leaving Church Fenton or Sandwath Lane.

Date of next meeting. 11th September 2023