

Minutes of the meeting of Barkston Ash Parish Council held on Monday, 15th May at 7,30 in the Village Hall.

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

Apologies: received from John Brassington and Guy Williams.

Election Of Officers:

It was proposed Sue Williams and seconded Jeanette Beresford that the officers should remain in place i.e., Chair, Catherine Daniels, Vice Chair, Guy Williams. This was agreed.

Acceptance of office form was signed by the Chair.

Minutes: of the meeting, held on 20th March were proposed by Sue Williams and seconded Jeanette Beresford.

Matters Arising:

- a) The yellow lines have been done in Orchard Close to stop parking near the junction, but this has, as expected moved the problem further down the cul-de-sac.
The potholes in Orchard Close had been marked by NY Highways but had not yet been filled.
Cars are continuing to park on the verge opposite the school despite the bollards.
Sue Williams suggested that a further large planter be put in place to stop this, Phil Williams will supply from Fields Garden Centre.
The Clerk is to contact Mrs Vauaghan, head of Barkston Ash Primary School, asking her to encourage more parents/carers to park at the Ash Tree hoping that this will help the Parish Council's request for a crossing warden.
- b) Planting on the Ash Tree Triangle: It had been suggested that a permanent Christmas tree be planted on the triangle, but it was now agreed that this would not be done due to the damage that would be caused by the strong westerly winds. Catherine Daniels would like the front flower bed to be extended to make a bigger impact on the entrance to the village. Phil Williams said that he would enquire of Fields Garden Centre if they would do this work and sponsor the site.
- c) Dog/Litter Bins: A grant of £1100.00 has been awarded by Selby District Council.
This will be used to provide Litter bins on the A162 at the bus shelter, just south of the railway bridge and to replace the damaged bin on the corner of Church Street and Common Road. Dog waste bins opposite the entrance to the public footpath leading to Sawyer Wells Lane and north of Stream Farm Lane.

- d) Give Way sign – Sawyer Wells/ Back Lane no reply had been received from NY Highways and the Clerk is to follow this up,
- e) Crossing at the Ash Tree Inn this has been referred to the Road Safety Section at NY council for consideration.

A further step to enhance the village entrances and slow down traffic is to investigate the possibility of installing Village Gateways similar to the ones in Towton.

Jeanette and Nick Beresford are to look at suitable positions and dimensions.

- f) Website: Jeanette Beresford has developed the new Parish Council website this will be barkstonashparishcouncil.gov.uk this will be the website for council information but will have links to other facilities in the village. The council contact email will be: clerk@barkstonashparishcouncil.gov.uk. The Chair thanked Jeanette for all her work on this project.
- g) Mr Melvyn Mason has had an external socket fitted to his property on Back Lane which can be used for the Christmas Lights. The Clerk to write a letter of thanks.

Finance:

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

I & I Internet	£ 8.44
Parker Hartley – Payroll	£ 20.40
ZeroOne Digital – web design	£325.00
Aubergine - domain registration	£180.00
Meticulous Gardens – grass cutting	£110.00
BHIB Insurance	£323.43
Clerk Fee April May	£179.56
HMRC - National Insurance	£ 44.80

The annual accounts were presented and signed by the Chair and Clerk. The accounts will be sent to Parker Hartley for audit.

Planning:

Amendment to application 2022/1417 /HPA conversion of roof space to office and erection of external staircase. Plans were viewed and it was pointed out that there was no extra parking space included in this application.

Decision notice 2022/0423/LBC Listed building consent for conversion of barn to a 4 bedroom dwelling at Turpin Hall Farm,

Any Other Business.

When the defibrillator was installed a few years ago Dr Turton ran a CPR training session in the Village Hall. Catherine Daniels to ask if she will run a refresher course.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 17th July 2023

