

Minutes of the meeting of Barkston Ash Parish Council
held on Monday, 20th March in the Village Hall

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

There were no apologies.

Minutes of the meeting 23rd January 2023 were approved by Phil Williams and Sue Williams.

Matters Arising

- a) Parking – The Clerk was advised that the lining in Orchard Close would be completed in the next few weeks.
Despite the installation of bollards on the verge on the corner of Headwell Lane and A162 parents/carers were still parking on the verge but further down.
It was suggested that the council ask Highways to space the bollards further apart to maximise the impact.
The new PCSO Hannah Price (4532) has said that she will make her presence known during the times when the children are being collected from school to assess the situation.

The Clerk is to follow up the request to the Road Safety team at NYCC enquiring about the criteria for the provision a crossing warden at the Ash Tree Inn.
- b) The small Christmas tree that stood on the Ash Tree Triangle had been damaged by strong winds and the overspill from the gritting lorries. It was agreed to remove the tree and not replant on the triangle.
Christmas lights will be put at Fir Tree Court and Nick Beresford will speak to Mr Mason about the installation of an external socket, the cost to be covered by the Parish Council.
- c) An application for dog/litter bin funding has been made to Selby District Council and once approved these will be ordered.
- d) A request has been made to N Y Highways for the re-lining of the Back Lane and Sawyer Wells Lane junction and a request is also to be made for a 'Give Way' sign.
- e) The current Parish Council website does not comply with the legal requirement for Parish Councils. Jeanette Beresford circulated a comprehensive report comparing several companies which would build and manage a new compliant website.
Following discussion it was agreed that ZeroOneDigital should be employed.
It will also be necessary to apply for a .gov.uk email address.
Catherine Daniels thanked Jeanette for her work on this project.
- f) 20's Plenty – John Brassington had joined in a demonstration at County Hall to publicise the campaign.

Planning

The appeal for 99 lodges at Scarthingwell Golf Course had been refused.
The prior applications for change of use of barns at Wood End Barn had been refused.

Alterations to the railway bridge crossing the A162 were discussed and the Clerk is to contact Selby District Council to ask if the steel reinforcement will be stone clad to give the same appearance as existing.

Finance

Invoices for payment were approved by Jeanette Beresford and John Brassington:

Barkston Ash Village Hall - hire	£120.00
Clerks fee Feb/March	£179.56
NIC contributions Mth 11/12	£ 45.00
Parker Hartley – payroll fees	£ 46.80

Any Other Business

The erection of Village Gateway signs was discussed. Sites on Common Lane and A162 were discussed. Possible sites were to be measured to ensure that footpaths and street furniture would not be compromised. This item will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Catherine Daniels said that Selby District Council would provide equipment for people to do a litter pick in the village and surround also would collect the rubbish bags when completed. It was agreed that this would be done and the Clerk is to enquire. Date to be agreed.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 15th May and will be the Annual meeting.