

BARROWBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Barrowby Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9TH December 2024 at the Reading Room, Church Street, Barrowby.

PUBLIC FORUM (6.45pm): A resident attended and reported an issue with the lack of pavement and dropped kerbs outside his house at the bottom of Low Road. His wife has a disability scooter and she finds it difficult to get onto the pavement on the east side of Low Road due to the lack of a dropped kerb. She also has to drive round parked Contractor's cars that are blocking the footpath. The Clerk has already contacted Allison Homes and they have made a temporary car parking area for contractors within the site so they can park off road. Councillor Lees stated that pavements and dropped kerbs are the responsibility of Highways at Lincolnshire County Council but he will speak to Councillor Whittington as he is the County Council Highways representative.

MEETING OPENED: 7.00pm

1. WELCOME REMARKS (24/100)

- 1.1 Councillor Lees welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. Those in attendance: Councillors Beswick-Parsons, Bosworth, Brown, Footitt, Lees the RFO, Mrs Moss.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (24/101)

- 2.1 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Eaton, Joseph, McConnell-Good, Staunton and Whittington. District Councillor Leadenham also sent his apologies.

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 (24/102)

- 3.1 Declarations of Interest
None received.
- 3.2 Requests for Dispensation
No requests for dispensation were made.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (24/103)

- 4.1 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 11th November as being a true and accurate record.

5. CLERK'S REPORT (24/104)

- 5.1 Members noted the contents of the Clerk's report and the actions completed.

6. NEW CLERK (24/105)

- 6.1 It was **RESOLVED** to approve to move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of matters to be discussed.
- 6.2 Members received an update on the situation regarding the appointment of a new Clerk. It was agreed that more information should be requested from the Locum Clerk who has already been in touch. A Staffing Committee meeting will be held straight after the Burial Ground meeting on Friday 10th January and the Locum Clerk will be invited to meet the members.
Action: The RFO will make all the arrangements to discuss the appointment of a Locum Clerk at the Staffing Committee on 10th January.
- 6.3 The meeting moved back into open session.

7. FINANCE (24/106)

- 7.1 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the November 2024 bank reconciliations.
- 7.2 Members noted the summary of receipts, precept, expenditure and surplus/deficit figures.
- 7.3 Members noted income for November 2024 as outlined in the Receipts list.
- 7.4 It was **RESOLVED** to approve expenditure as outlined in the Payments List.

- 7.5 Members considered the 3 quotes received to repair the village planters and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the quote for £1225 by Lincs Property Maintenance.
Action: The RFO to contact Lincs Property Maintenance and arrange for the work to be done.
- 7.6 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payment of £300 for a bespoke village logo as per quote and samples received. It was agreed that version 3 would be used. 1 member voted against the agreed version.
Action: The RFO to arrange for payment for the village logo and confirm which one is the agreed final version.

8. REPORTS (24/107)

8.1 Health and Safety

8.1.1 Members received a verbal report of the results of recent play area checks.

8.2 Play areas

8.2.1 Members noted that the zip wire mechanism has been serviced and the matting underneath has been replaced.

8.3 Community Areas

8.3.1 The Recreation and Green Space group have been discussing the area at the end of |Low Road bordering on the A1 slip road which is owned by Highways England as a potential site for Make Space for Nature Diversity Scheme Proposal. An application form has been completed to acquire funding for 30 bird/bat boxes and the creation of a natural hedge bordering the Burial Ground. It is proposed to hold a public event for residents to come and obtain bird/bat boxes for a nominal fee. Parish Council agreed to provide £410.40 match funding for the bird/bat boxes.

Action: Councillor Beswick-Parsons to send the grant application to the RFO to finalise and send off.

8.4 Pavilion Committee

8.4.1 It was agreed to defer the discussion on the plans for redevelopment of the Sports Pavilion to the January meeting.

Action: The RFO to add discussion on the plans for redevelopment of the Sports Pavilion to the Agenda for the January meeting

8.4.2 Members discussed the request from the Football Club for the Parish Council to contribute towards replacement pitch railing around the football fields. It was agreed that more information is needed and questions to be raised.

Action: The RFO to ask a representative from the Football Club to attend the January PC meeting with full proposals, why the fencing is required and to answer questions raised by members.

8.5 Burial Ground Committee

8.5.1 Members noted the contents of the Burial Ground Committee meeting held on 8th November 2024.

9. PLANNING (24/108)

9.1 Application S24/1835 – No comments.

9.2 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the name of the new road for plots 38-52 on the Persimmon Homes site off Low Road should be Newbo Gardens.

Action: The RFO to email SKDC with the proposed new road name.

9.3 Members received feedback from Councillors who attended the drop-in event about the proposed new village to the west of Grantham held by Vistry Homes.

10. CORRESPONDENCE (S24/109)

10.1 10.1.1 Members noted the contents of a letter received from the Barrowby News Chairman and receipt of £1000 refund of a grant and asked the RFO to send a letter of thanks.

Action: The RFO to send a letter of thanks to the Barrowby News Chairman for the refund of the grant.

10.1.2 A report had been previously circulated regarding the exchange of correspondence with a resident regarding the illegal parking of his car on private land.

Action: Councillor Lees will visit the resident and explain what the problems are and clarify the ownership of the land.

10.2 As no members attended the Lincolnshire Police Quarterly Priority Setting meeting no feedback can be given.

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (S24/110)

11.1 Members were advised that we are waiting for the final draft of Policies from the Consultant and, once they have been received, the public consultation can take place.

12. RBL UPDATE (24/111)

12.1 It was **RESOLVED** to approve to move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of matters to be discussed.

12.2 Members received an update on the latest position regarding the appointment of a Solicitor to act on behalf of the Parish Council.

Action: The RFO to arrange a meeting between the Solicitor and Councillor Eaton and Lees.

12.3 The meeting moved back into open session.

13. VILLAGE MAP (S24/112)

13.1 Members noted the final version of the new village map and that it had been published on the website.

Action: The RFO to put a laminated version of the village map on the Community noticeboard.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING (24/113)

14.1 Monday 13th January 2025 at 6.45pm at the Reading Room.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.

BARROWBY PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE REPORT DECEMBER 2024

Members noted the following income in November:

		£
Snowden	Hire of Reading Room	45.00
East Midlands Scrabble Club	Hire of Reading Room	30.00
Andrew Taylor	Hire of Reading Room	40.00
Who Lets Your Dog Out	Hire of Reading Room	50.00
Grantham and Kesteven Bridge	Hire of Reading Room	265.00
Virgin Money	Virgin Money Cashback	1.80
InHale	Hire of Reading Room	165.00
Mr Bridge Club	Hire of Reading Room	275.00
All Saints Church	Hire of Reading Room	50.00
Virgin Money	Interest	139.09
Private hirer	Hire of Reading Room	13.00
All Saints Church	Hire of Reading Room	50.00
Senior Arts Group	Hire of Reading Room	100.00
Midlands Children's Physio	Hire of Pavilion	350.00
Robert Holland Funeral Directors	Burial Ground fees	750.00
Private hirer	Hire of Reading Room	106.00
Barrowby Pre School	Pre-School hire	1,173.00
Barrowby News	Donation	1,000.00
East Midlands Scrabble Club	Hire of Reading Room	36.00
Snowden	Hire of Reading Room	54.00
Grantham and Kesteven Bridge	Hire of Reading Room	246.00

Members approved the following expenditure in November/December:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net (£)</u>	<u>VAT (£)</u>	<u>Gross (£)</u>
Telefonica UK Ltd	Asst Clerk mobile phone	10.00	2.00	12.00
British Telecommunications	Broadband	34.95	6.99	41.94
Currys Retail Ltd	Laptop	290.83	58.17	349.00
Grenke	Rental of ipads	154.92	30.98	185.90
Ring	Annual fees	41.66	8.33	49.99
Autela Group Ltd	Payroll services	82.62	16.52	99.14
Open Door	Grant	250.00		250.00
UK Garage Doors Ltd	Repair to shutters	222.50	44.50	267.00
Royal Mail	Postage	2.79	0.56	3.35
JRB Enterprises Ltd	Dog poo bags	30.40	6.08	36.48
Bishop of Lincoln Registry	Faculty Fee	227.00	45.40	272.40
Bishop of Lincoln Registry	Faculty Fee	55.00		55.00
HSG UK	Toilet rolls	17.95	3.59	21.54
Wave Anglian Water Business	Water rates	89.04		89.04
Wave Anglian Water Business	Water rates	67.83		67.83
Wave Anglian Water Business	Water rates	441.92		441.92
Nic Barker Ltd	Grave digging	583.33	116.67	700.00
Pittam Property Improvements	General maintenance	40.00	8.00	48.00
SSE Business Energy	Gas supply	559.48	27.97	587.45
Pittam Property Improvements	General maintenance	210.00	42.00	252.00
South Kesteven District Council	Waste collection	117.00		117.00
Epson Ready Print	Printing	9.24	1.85	11.09
SSE Business Energy	Electricity Supply	253.88	12.69	266.57
Virgin Money	Bank charges	24.70		24.70
Telefonica UK Ltd	Clerk mobile phone	11.96	2.39	14.35
C Dring	Printing	7.00		7.00
P E Hempstead and Sons	Hedge cutting	65.00	13.00	78.00
South Kesteven District Council	Waste collection	28.17		28.17
Syston Park Christmas Tree	Christmas trees	146.00		146.00
HMRC	PAYE/NIC	615.52		615.52
Cloudy Group Ltd	IT Support	247.50	49.50	297.00
Cloudy Group Ltd	IT Support	232.20	46.44	278.64
Greenstripe	Grass cutting specialised	245.00		245.00
Monthly Salaries	December salaries	1,754.84		1,754.84
Mileage	Mileage	40.05		40.05