

BARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the 756th Meeting of Barrington Parish Council held on Tuesday 8 March 2022 at 19:00hrs

Present – Councillors

Don Bourne (Chair), Tom McKnight, Peter Oakes, Margaret Stone, Robert Stenner, Victoria Collins

In attendance:

Julie Ferguson - Parish Clerk, Adam Dance (County Councillor), Mike Stanton (District Councillor), 8 members of the public

- i) Public Open Session.
- ii) County & District Councillors Reports – Reports circulated by email.
- iii) Report from Keith Weston – NT representative

20:05 – Meeting opened

21/89 To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Arnold (work commitments).

21/90 Declarations of Interests

None.

21/91 To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED: The minutes were amended before being approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting held.

21/92 Planning Decisions Report. 21/02092/S73 – Pulford Cottage, Main Street, Barrington. Approved.

Noted.

21/93 Planning Applications. None.

Noted.

21/94 Finance - To approve the following payments:

Clerks salary (gross) & expenses/reimbursements	£452.07
NSALG – Annual subscription	£30.00

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed for the payments presented to be approved and signed.

21/95 Clerks Report/Correspondence

All correspondence had been emailed:

Great British Spring Clean

South West Heritage Trust

Parking issues in Water Street (discussed in the Public Session)

21/96 Parish Matters – To report on the Queens Platinum Jubilee event

Cllr Stone reported that a grant request for £650 for a Jubilee Beacon from SALC Reconnecting Communities Fund had been successful and the money had been earmarked for a Jubilee Beacon.

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21/97 Parish Matters – To discuss the contract for grass cutting throughout the parish

Cllr McKnight agreed to speak to the current contractors & also some local contractors to see if they would be interested in quoting. It was pointed out that an area of grass that was being cut under the current contract was the responsibility of the Village Hall, so it was agreed to ask the VH committee to budget for this maintenance in the future.

ACTION: Cllr McKnight

21/98 Parish Matters – To consider changing or releasing the locked cabinet housing the VH defibrillator

It was agreed that the defibrillator should be freely accessible to anyone who needed to use it, without the added pressure of obtaining the code from the Emergency Services. Cllr McKnight agreed to write the number on the front of the cabinet and to let the VH committee know the access code for all hall users.

ACTION: Cllr McKnight

21/99 Parish Matters – To consider the purchase and location of an additional defibrillator unit

It was agreed to start looking for grants & also to ask parishioners and village groups to consider fundraising for an additional unit in the parish. The clerk agreed to start a budget line for another unit.

ACTION: Parish Clerk & all Cllrs

21/100 Parish Matters – To report on the condition and location of PC assets (noticeboard, benches & bins) and agree any maintenance

Cllr Bourne had inspected all of the furniture assets in the parish & gave a status report on their condition. Cllr Stenner offered to take a look with a view to carrying out any maintenance required. A working team of councillors agreed to carry out the significant work required on the finger post.

ACTION: All Cllrs

21/101 Date of next meeting – 12th April 2022

21:15 – Meeting closed