

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BARROW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 19TH JANUARY 2021 AT 6.30PM.

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Members of the public will have the opportunity to raise Parish matters between 6.30 p.m. and 6.40 p.m. No members of the public were present.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:

No apologies received.

3. TO RECORD THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Downes, Knott, Churchill, Skinner and Whiteman. Also present Shropshire Councillor Turner.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

None.

5. MINUTES:

To confirm the Minutes of the meetings held on 17th November 2020.

It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting on 17th November 2020.

6. REPORT BY SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBER:

To receive a report from the Shropshire Council Member.

Shropshire Councillor Turner reported that amended plans for the Buildwas planning development were out for consultation. Highways England have a holding objection in around the modelling for junction 6 of the M54. They will need to be satisfied with any amendment to the modelling before the application can be heard at south planning committee. His December advice surgery went ahead but the January one has been cancelled. Clerk to circulate Shropshire Councillor Turner's written copy of his report.

7. POLICE MATTERS:

To receive any reports from the beat manager. No report directly from the team.

8. PARISH ALLOTMENTS.

- a. update from Shropshire Council. Councillors Churchill and Skinner joined a Microsoft teams meeting with two officers from Shropshire Council to review the proposal for a new access to the site. It is possible to do. There will need to be a few alterations possibly to plot C. There will be a new lease showing the new line of the fence around Floyer Hall and Hilltop Cottage. Plot C will be vacant shortly it will be cleared with arrangement for some of the stuff going to another plot holder. It was RESOLVED to amend the tenancy agreement to ask that they work towards 60% production area.

9. St GILES CHURCHYARD (see report). Next steps.

Shropshire Council have confirmed they are unable to take on the management of the churchyard. It was RESOLVED to survey the site and write a management plan. Using Caring for Gods Acre guidelines. Clerk to contact Caring for Gods Acre to see what they can offer. Councillors Churchill, Downes and Skinner will carry out the survey. Clerk to ask Mark Partridge to cut the grass again liaising with Councillor Downes.

10. HIGHWAYS

- a. Issues to be reported to Shropshire Council. Potholes at Shirlett reported. Clerk to liaise with Borough Councillor Healy about the footpath on Bridge Bank in Telford and Wrekin area regarding repairs.
- b. Response from previous reports. No repairs have been carried out to the broken bus stop.
- c. Traffic management Benthall. Shropshire Council officer and traffic management officer for West Mercia Police met on site after the last meeting and has agreed a traffic regulation order will be put in place and the relevant markings put in place for the 30mph area through Benthall. It appears the current scheme was installed as a result of there being street lighting and not using the TRO route.

11. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS WHO HAVE ATTENDED OUTSIDE BODIES MEETINGS.

- a. Any other meetings. Councillor Downes attended the AGM of Severn Gorge Countryside Trust via zoom. He was re elected chair for a fourth and final year.

12. PLANNING

a. **New applications to be considered.**

b. **Decisions:**

- **20/03290/FUL** Amendment to scheme approved under Planning Permission Ref: 16/05208/FUL granted on 20th June 2017 for the conversion of redundant Victorian brick vaulted subterranean reservoir to create a dwelling with associated works to now include the erection of a detached double garage and therapy room extension. (amended description). Posenhall Reservoir Posenhall Broseley. **Grant Full Planning Permission.** Noted.
- **20/04730/TCA** Remove overhanging branches of 1 Sycamore tree within Broseley Conservation Area. 54 The Mines Benthall. **Consent by right.** Noted.

c. **Broseley and surrounding area place plan.**

Clerk reported to Broseley Town Council that Barrow Parish Council was not prepared to endorse the projects listed because it was not necessary and lack of knowledge about proposals.

- d. **Any other planning matters.** Possible enforcement matters. Response to one with no case to answer no response to the other matter.

13. FINANCE:

a. **Invoices to pay.** It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices.

1. Mrs J Madeley £250.44 chq 961 paid Dec 20
2. HMRC £57.60 chq 962 Paid Dec 20
3. N Power Ltd £916.45 chq 963 Paid Dec 20
4. Shropshire Council £333.43 chq 964 Paid Dec 20
5. NEST Pension £20.16 Dec 20
6. Mrs J Madeley £218.88 Chq 965
7. HMRC £57.60 Chq 966
8. NEST Pension £20.16 DD

b. Bank reconciliation. Dec 20,

	Bank reconciliation at 31 Dec 2020
	£
Balance b/f 31.03.20	4,785.51
Plus income	11,200.14
Total	15,985.65
Less: expenditure	9,734.83
Total	6,250.82
Balances at 31.12.20	
Current account	1,940.77
savings account	4,310.05
Total	6,250.82
Less: unrepresented expenses	
Add unrepresented income	
Total	6250.82

c. Street lighting contract for power. Npower appears to have now understood they are no longer the providers of power to the Parish Council.

d. Consider approving budget and set precept for 2021/22.

It was RESOLVED to set the proposed budget presented with expenditure of £10455 and Income of £10392. It was RESOLVED to raise a precept of £10083.00. Leaving the Band D Council Tax charge at £38.30.

14. STREET LIGHTING.

a. Update. Clerk is still working through the paperwork for the loan to replace the street lighting.

15. SMART WATER PROJECT. A.

It was decided to keep the kits until the pandemic is better to promote .

16. CLERK'S REPORT OF ACTIVITIES SINCE LAST MEETING.

Everything the clerk has done is reported within these minutes.

17. RESERVES POLICY

It was RESOLVED to adopt the Reserves policy presented to the Parish Council.

18. **ELECTION 6TH MAY 2021**

Clerk has information prepared for anyone who may be interested in becoming a councillor.

19. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Various road closures forwarded already. Noted.

b. Census 2021. The Census will be online predominantly. Residents will receive a password and pin to fill in the form. However, paper copies can be obtained.

c. SCAP Action Plan. Clerk has a copy of the Shropshire Climate Action Plan. Clerk to circulate.

20. Date of next scheduled meeting 16th March 2021. Last meeting before election. The meeting was declared closed at 20.12pm