

**BARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2017
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, GREAT BARRINGTON
AT 7.00 P.M.**

Present: Cllr Paul Porter - Chairman
Cllr James Bainbridge - Vice-Chairman

Cllr Dr S Bennett
Cllr Jan de Haldevang

Officer: Mrs Tan Marchant – Clerk & RFO

16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

17 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR

The Clerk advised that an election had not been called for by the local electorate, and therefore a parish councillor needed to be co-opted. No applications had been received and Councillors were therefore asked to personally contact local residents to gauge interest in the vacancy and to report back to the Parish Clerk. A number of names were put forward but these will not be included in the minutes.

18 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on 15 May 2017, previously circulated, were APPROVED as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

19 MATTERS ARISING

- (a) Parish Meetings – following a query at the last meeting, the Clerk had circulated a note confirming that parish councils had a statutory duty to hold an annual meeting and a minimum of three other meetings a year.
- (b) Parish Defibrillator – the Clerk had circulated details of the Cotswold District Council Defibrillator Project which offered funding towards a parish defibrillator. The offer would be a maximum of £500 from our Cotswold District Councillor, Chris Hancock, towards the total cost of £1,495 plus VAT. Councillors APPROVED expenditure on a parish defibrillator and tasked the Clerk with completing the necessary paperwork and obtaining a quote for the fitting of the defibrillator in the Little Barrington BT phone box.
- (c) WW1 Grant – Memorial Bench. Cllr de Haldevang said that he had gained permission from the landowner to site the memorial bench on the edge of the village green and had also spoken to one of the residents who lived opposite the proposed site to gain their approval. The bench will replace a previous one. Cllr de Haldevang raised queries about the cost of engraving the bench and the addition of a litter bin, and the Clerk will contact Leyhill Prison to place the order and to enquire whether engraving and litter bin could also be included and at what cost.
- (d) VAT Registration – the Clerk reported that VAT Registration was not available to the Parish Council because the level of its transactions was too low, but a periodic VAT claim was possible. The Clerk had submitted a claim for transactions over the last three years and was pleased to report that the sum of £93.25 had been refunded.

20 **ADJOURNMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present.

21 **ADJOURNMENT FOR COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Chris Hancock had given his apologies for the meeting.

22 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Financial Statement for the period 1 April to 31 July 2017 was noted. A copy of the statement is attached to these Minutes.

23 **FUNDING REQUEST – CITIZENS ADVICE**

Councillors considered the funding request received from Citizens Advice Stroud & Cotswold Districts. Although conceding that the work carried out by this organisation was invaluable, it was felt that support given to Barrington residents, being only a very small part of the much larger Northleach Ward, was not likely to be significant. Additionally, given the Parish Council's limited financial resources, it was agreed not to approve this request.

24 **PLANNING MATTERS**

PLANNING COMMENTS – 4 SEPTEMBER 2017

17/02435/OUT Former Filling Station on the A40 Windrush section, Gloucester. Variation of Condition 4. Development of petrol station, restaurant and associated parking and access (outline application) and completion and conversion of partially constructed motel building to form sixteen apartments. **PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.**

25 **PLANNING DECISIONS – 4 SEPTEMBER 2017**

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26 **COMMUNITY EVENTS & DIARY DATES**

Sunday 8 October 2017 -	Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church and Little Barrington Reading Room
Saturday 28 October 2017 -	Little Barrington Strim, Stream & Supper
Saturday 2nd December 2017 -	Advent Drinks, Little Barrington Reading Room
Monday 4th December 2017 -	Parish Council Meeting, Little Barrington Reading Room
Friday 22nd December 2017 -	Carol Service in Great Barrington Church, 6.00 p.m.
Monday 19th March 2018 -	Parish Council Annual Meeting, Little Barrington Reading Room

The meeting ended at 7.40 p.m.

Chairman