

**Minutes of the Meeting of Barrington Parish Council  
held on Wednesday 24 September 2014 in the  
Reading Room, Little Barrington**

Present:	Cllr J Bainbridge Cllr J Lazenby Cllr Mrs P de Haldevang	Vice-Chairman RFO
In attendance:	Mrs Tan Marchant Mrs Lynn Costello	Parish Clerk Neighbourhood Watch
Apologies:	Cllr P O'Higgins, Cllr P Porter, Cllr Mrs C Topple (CDC)	

**13 OPEN SESSION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

- (a) Mrs Costello said that the old style red telephone box in the village is dirty and in need of a good clean and a lick of paint. It was queried whether or not the telephone box is owned by the Parish Council and, indeed, whether it is still in working order. Mrs Costello said she would make enquiries and also check whether the light inside the box is still working. The Clerk said she would have to check whether it should be insured if it belonged to the Parish Council.
- (b) Mrs Costello mentioned that the red post box in the wall needs repainting as well.

**14 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2014 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

**15 MATTERS ARISING**

- (a) Parish Noticeboard – Cllr Mrs de Haldevang confirmed that the new noticeboard was now lockable on one side only, with the other side being used by members of the public. She still needs to organise a key for the use of the Clerk. It was pointed out that there is also a noticeboard in Great Barrington which should be used for the display of Council notices.
- (b) Dog Bin, Minnow Lane – the Clerk confirmed that the dog bin had now been installed in Minnow Lane, the cost of which will be met by the Great Barrington Charity.
- (c) WW1 Grant – the grant of £100 from Cotswold District Council has now been received. Mr Mills has given his talk, the recording of it will be carried out separately, and Cllr Mrs de Haldevang will investigate someone to do the recording.

**16 REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

The Clerk had previously circulated by email a reminder from Cotswold District Council of the need to update Members' Registers of Interests as soon as any change occurred. This was noted.

**17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mrs de Haldevang declared an interest in Item 20 as a Trustee of the Barrington Charity.

## 18 FINANCIAL REPORT

The only transactions in this financial year had been the annual payment of insurance, and the receipt of the £100 WW1 Grant. Imminent outgoings are the Internal Auditor's fee and the Clerk's half yearly salary payment. Councillors suggested that creditors be added to the report in future. The report was noted.

## 19 LLOYDS BANK ONLINE ACCESS

A report had previously been circulated in respect of Delegated User Access for the Clerk to be able to view the Parish Council's bank account online when the need arose. There were two levels of access, and Councillors agreed to approve View Only Access at the present time.

Councillors were surprised to learn that the Parish Council bank account is named Great Barrington Parish Council and asked the Clerk to investigate changing the name to Barrington Parish Council. It was also agreed that all Councillors should be signatories on the account, rather than just the Chairman and RFO as at present.

## 20 PARISH COUNCIL NOMINEE FOR GREAT BARRINGTON CHARITY

Councillors agreed that the time was right to have a new representative for the Charity. Cllr Mrs de Haldevang said she had five suggestions for nominee and asked for any further suggestions within the next week. Once all nominations have been received, Councillors hope to meet informally on 4<sup>th</sup> October to discuss the way forward. Any decision could then be ratified at the Parish Council meeting in November.

## 21 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ORDERS

The following temporary traffic orders had been issued since the last meeting:

- (a) 3/138 Upper Rissington to Great Barrington – resurfacing.
- (b) 3/142 Great Barrington – resurfacing.

These were noted.

## 22 PLANNING MATTERS

The following applications had been received:

- 14/02941/LBC Mullions, 65 Little Barrington. Proposed widening of existing door opening between dining room and kitchen. **Barrington Parish Council has no objection to this application but the application was REFUSED.**
- 14/03290/FUL 637 Volunteer Gliding Squadron, RAF Little Rissington, Glos. Erection of 56-bed sleeping accommodation and catering facilities. **Barrington Parish Council is concerned about the increased pressure on roads and other resources in what is essentially a rural community. The area has already suffered this pressure with the 300 plus homes without per se any other real infrastructure improvement. We fear the Barrington 'rat-run' will increase. The decision on this application is still AWAITED.**

**23 LIGHTS OUT – WW1 COMMEMORATION**

The Clerk wished to record the fact that across the country, communities were invited to join together in a shared moment of reflection by turning off their lights from 10pm to 11pm on Monday 4 August 2014 to mark the First World War centenary commemoration. It is hoped that residents in the parish took part in this initiative.

**24 EMERGENCY PLAN**

The Clerk had been advised by Gloucestershire County Council of a number of changes to contact numbers within the Community Emergency Plan – mainly NHS and utility companies – and Cllr Mrs de Haldevang confirmed that these amendments had been included in the Parish Community Emergency Plan. Cllr Mrs de Haldevang will distribute copies as appropriate.

**25 HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS**

There were no highways and footpaths issues to report.

**26 DISTRICT ELECTORAL REVIEW**

The Clerk reported that a new system for Electoral Registration came into effect on 10<sup>th</sup> June, and marks the biggest change to how people register to vote in almost a hundred years. Instead of using a household form to register to vote (i.e. one person listing all occupants in the residence), everyone will have to take individual responsibility for their own registration - this is Individual Electoral Registration or IER. New applications to register will have to be made individually, and there is the option to register online, with paper forms available for those who prefer not to use the online service.

Applicants will have to provide their date of birth and National Insurance number in order to register. These details will be used to reduce the risk of fraud and inaccurate entries on the register. Applications will be checked against government records, by way of a newly-created Electoral Registration Digital Service.

**27 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UPDATE**

Lynn reported that quarterly Neighbourhood Watch meetings are no longer taking place because people have moved on. Cllr Mrs de Haldevang asked about the black box used to record traffic movements and said she would contact Bob Skillen for details. She also said that the weight limit on the bridge needs to be checked.

**28 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7.00 p.m. in the Reading Room.

The meeting ended at 8.02 p.m.

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Chairman

