

Minutes of Meeting
of the Full Council Meeting of Barrowden Parish Council
held at
St Peter's Church, 9th October 2024 at 7.15pm

Public Forum: Members of the public may ask questions or make short statements on items relating to the Agenda, below or request topics for future meetings.

There were 3 members of the public in attendance. A question was raised in relation to the Planning Application Land off Morcott Road. Cllr M Ferrow confirmed that the parish council had submitted its objection and we now await the decision which should be on or around the 24th October. A successful and constructive meeting was held between Cllrs K Payne, Cllr M Ferrow, 2 invited members of the public, Justin Johnson from RCC Planning and Joe Mitson from RCC Planning. The council were able to provide the representatives of RCC with further information that they hoped would assist the planning department in making a decision.

- 2024/10/01 **Record of Members Present**
Cllr M Ferrow, K Payne, C Arscott, M Hardwick, P Jones and J Nichols
- 2024/10/02 To receive and approve **Apologies for Absence**
There were none
- 2024/10/03 **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests:** To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, and to consider any requests for dispensations in respect of disclosable pecuniary interests'
A declaration of interest was received from Cllr Karen Payne in respect of her County Council responsibilities and in particular her membership of the Planning Committee at RCC. In relation to planning application 2024/0959/PAD Cllr K Payne will remove herself from any discussion and voting should this be raised in a meeting at Rutland County Council.
- 2024/10/04 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 11th September 2024
RESOLVED - It was agreed by a unanimous vote in favour to accept the minutes of meeting dated 11th September 2024 as a true and accurate record once the amendment had been made in relation to the information regarding Mill Pond which was reported incorrectly. The chair will sign the minutes upon completion of the amendment.
- 2024/10/05 To receive any Matters Arising for information exchange *[NB Matters Arising may only appertain to the immediately preceding Parish Council Meetings - i.e., 11th September 2024]*
There were none
- 2024/10/06 To receive and approve Financial statement from 1st April 2024 – 3rd October 2024 and note payments made from 4th September 2024 – 3rd October 2024 as per reports attached
RESOLVED - It was agreed by a unanimous vote in favour to accept the financial report dated 1st April 2024 – 3rd October 2024 as a true and accurate record and to note payments made from 4th September 2024 – 3rd October 2024. The chair signed the report
- 2024/10/07 To discuss and approve source of payment of Flood Defence invoice authorised between meetings by Clerk D Rolfe and Chair to the Council M Ferrow under Financial Regulations section 5.15
RESOLVED – It was agreed by a unanimous vote in favour to finance the £1200 payment of the flood defence invoice using S106 monies.
- 2024/10/08 To review and approve the following policy documents:-
a) Sickness Pol
b) Grievance Policy
RESOLVED – It was agreed by a unanimous vote in favour to accept the above policies with no changes required.

- 2024/10/09 To discuss allocation of S106 funds and review application form
A discussion was held between Councillors on what process should be followed when considering the allocation of S106 funds to ensure it is operating within the guidelines when making decisions to allocate S106 funds, and to provide, on request, that it has followed all necessary due diligence and process to Rutland County, internal/external auditors and members of the public. It was agreed that the council will adopt the S106 application form, checklist and BPC S106 policy, all documents were circulated to councillors for comment prior to the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make an application for S106 funds must do so by requesting the application form from the Clerk to the Council. The parish council encourages any organisation to make an application for funding whether this be for a project that has shown interest in the past or if there is a new project that they would like to be considered. The application and policy will also be made available to view on the website.
- THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL INVITED A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON THIS MATTER AND PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION ON A POTENTIAL APPLICANT
- 2024/10/10 To discuss and approve response to Rutland County Council in relation to Planning Applications
- a) 2024/1042/FUL – 6 Church Lane - NO OBJECTIONS
 - b) 2024/1043/LBA – 6 Church Lane - NO OBJECTIONS
 - c) 2024/1077/CAT – 2 Wakerley Road - NO OBJECTIONS
 - d) 2024/1030/CAT – 5 Wakerley Road - NO OBJECTIONS
 - e) 2024/1083/CAT – 13 Dovecote Close- NO OBJECTIONS
- 2024/10/11 To note decisions made by Rutland County Council in relation to Planning Application
- a) 2024/0892/CAT – Approved
 - b) 2024/0895/CAT – Approved
 - c) 2024/0893CAT – Approved
 - d) 2024/0891/CAT – Approved
 - e) 2024/0920/CAT – Approved
- The above planning decisions have been noted by the Parish Council
- 2024/10/12 To note correspondence from Planning Enforcement Rutland County Council in respect of 16 Wheel Lane.
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- 2024/10/13 To receive update on allotment meeting from Cllr M Hardwick
Cllr M Hardwick met with the tenants of the allotments association. 8 members attended and discussions were held on budgets, maintenance and ongoing projects. It was agreed that the annual rent will remain at £15 per plot. A question was raised as to whether the Parish Council would help with any funding to assist with ongoing maintenance of the land. The parish council suggested that the allotment holders may want to consider making an application for S106 or S137 funds which would allow the Parish Council to have all the information required so that a formal decision could be made. Hugh Cripps made an application to the Woodland Trust Fund for tree planting in the allotment area and this was approved. This was seen as a positive step both for the ecology and flood defence. The Parish Council requested that it be consulted before any trees were planted. The committee also discussed the installation of a Borehole. This has been discussed in previous council meetings and due to costs it was agreed not to proceed. The council were still of that opinion and would not proceed any further.
- THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL INVITED A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK AND PROVIDE HISTORICAL INFORMATION IN RELATION TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE BOREHOLE AND THE PLANTING OF THE TREES.

- 2024/10/14 To receive information in relation to EV Charging points proposed for Barrowden Village
Cllr K Payne advised the Parish Council that it had been elected as one of the Parishes to receive 2 EV charging points. The locations are still to be determined. The Parish Council will be consulted before any final decisions are made. This item will appear on a future agenda.
- 2024/10/15 External items from outside the parish, including reports from any external meetings attended and the monthly Crime and Police Report
Clerk to the Council attended the Playground Inspection with Seagrave who are the service providers. The full report will be shared at the next meeting.
Cllr Mike Ferrow attended the Rutland Quarry Forum and the Wakerley Quarry Forum. Minutes will be published on the website when received.
- 2024/10/16 To receive and note future Agenda items from Councillors
- The use of a Post Office Card for Clerk expenses
 - The switch from our current IT and website provider Cuttlefish
 - Playpark Inspection
- 2024/10/17 Meeting close **20.33** and confirmation of next meeting date as **13TH November 2024 at 7.15pm**

Debbie Rolfe
Clerk to Barrowden Parish Council
11th October 2024