

Barton Turf and Irstead Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8 August 2023 at 7pm at the Black Shed

Attendance: Glenn Neave – Chair (GN), Helen McFadyen (HF), Martin Mills (MM), Andrew Wilton (AW), Doreen Dean (DD)

Also present: Nicola Ledain - clerk

- 1. To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies received from Phil Drake and Neil Sanderson
County Councillor Richard Price
- 2. Declarations of Councillors' interests**
There were no interests declared.
- 3. Minutes of the last meeting held on 4 July 2023**
The minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2023 were agreed and signed by the Chair.
- 4. Reports**
 - 4.1 To receive updates from County / District Councillors**
There had been no reports from Cllrs.
 - 4.2 To receive updates from the Police**
There was no update.
 - 4.3 To receive a report from Barton Turf Community Charities**
There was no update.
- 5. To receive updates on ongoing matters:**
 - a. *Wildlife East Group***
It was reported that the open evening held on Thursday 6 July went well. It was well attended with good presenters and lots of questions. Residents were enjoying the benches and children were pond dipping.
It was hoped that a short grassed area could be maintained.

The Chair had received an email regarding the Sustainability Grant that the PC had received for the work. They required proof that the funding had been spent on the project and required various documents to be sent to them.
 - b. *Black Shed update***
GN and PD were still planning to meet with Kevin Cole (architect) who had agreed to look at the black shed along with David Townsend.
 - c. *New Victory Hall update***
The Council appointed Neil Sanderson as the Parish Council representative on the Victory Hall Committee.

DD reported that there had been a review of the hall hire rates and there would be a minimal increase in those rates from 1 January 2024 (£10.40 for local groups, £12.50 for commercial groups, Saturday evening £25p/h, kitchen would be £25 per booking, snacks £7.50). It was also reported that everything was running well.

d. ***Irstead Staithe – lease (HM)***

There was nothing further to report.

e. ***Defibrillators (HM)***

DD reported the various funding streams that could be used to access funding for the defibrillators. The NNDC Sustainability Fund would be open in November and could potentially be used for the defibrillators in Irstead and Pennygate. This stream would require 10% contribution from the parish council.

British Heart Foundation's funding was currently closed but would open in October. They offered £600 contribution, with a full cabinet and equipment costing £2100.

It was reported that the trench had been dug on Irstead Staithe ready for Broads Authority to organise the connection.

The council agreed that the order of priority for the installation of the defibrillators should be Irstead, Pennygate then Barton.

f. **Gay's Staithe**

GN had met with the owner of Wherry Cottage who wanted to put a gate at the end of the track. This would deter parking. After a short discussion, it was suggested that two parking spaces were created with markings on the ground to advise parking. This would still allow emergency access and access to the home.

6. To discuss the name plates on the benches on the common

The Chair reported that name plaques had been placed on the new benches on the common. This hadn't had prior discussion and was undertaken without consent. It was agreed that the cost of these (£70) would be refunded to those that had made them.

7. Highways Issues

7.1 It was reported that there was a particularly significant pot hole on School Road travelling out of the village. This would be reported.

8. Finance

8.1 There were no payments made due to not having access to Barclays bank accounts. Communication had been received from Barclays so it was hoped that this would be rectified soon.

9. Planning

The Parish Council considered the below applications;

- BA/2023/0286/COND: Shoals Cottage, The Shoal, Irstead – Use pin tiles rather than thatch

BA/2023/0295COND: Cox Boatyard, Staithe Road, Barton Turf - Amended design of office. Allow delivery of boats larger than 10.7m and access for HGV's, variation of condition 1 and removal of condition 13 of permission.

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The Council SUPPORTED the application.

10. Items for next agenda or for Communities Charity meeting website

- 11.** The date of the next meeting would be at Tuesday 19 September at 7pm at the Black Shed.

Meeting ended at 8.30pm