

BARWELL PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

2 APRIL 2009 AT 7.00 P.M.

HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE, HIGH STREET, BARWELL

Present: Cllr Mr A Wheeler (Chairman)
Mr J Cullinane (Vice Chairman) Mr B Granger, Mrs G Granger, Miss T Simmans and Mrs T Hollingworth.

Proper Officer – Mr A R Ellis

Also Present: County Councillor Mr D Bown
Borough Councillor Mrs S Francks
PC Hart
PCSO Cornick
Borough Council Officer Mr S Merry
1 Member of the Public

176. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

177. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were declared at this stage.

178. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Councillor Mrs R Camamile had sent her apologies and the Chairman read out her written report. The Chairman then welcomed Mr D Bown who gave Members a report on the following matters:-

- Earl Shilton Bypass
- Sustainable Urban Extension

179. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Mrs S Francks gave Members a report on the following matters:-

- Sustainable Urban Extension
- Reports of Antisocial Behaviour along High Street
- The Food Waste Trial is to continue
- The road surfacing along The Common
- The Regional Economic Cabinet Recommendations on Section 106 Developer Contributions

180. POLICE REPORT

The Chairman welcomed PC Hart and PCSO Cornick to the meeting. PC Hart read out the crime figures for Earl Shilton and Barwell. Members requested that PC Hart look into the possibility of splitting the crime figures to show Barwell only. PC Hart will look into this.

181. PARKING IN BARWELL

The Chairman welcomed Mr Merry to the meeting. A discussion took place and it was agreed that Cllrs Mrs T Hollingworth and Miss T Simmans approach the Constitutional Club to help them in advertising the parking area.

182. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

a. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Cllr Mr B Granger updated Members on current issues.

b. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cllr Mr A Wheeler updated Members on current financial issues.

c. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CEMETERY, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Cllr Mrs T Hollingworth updated Members on current issues.

d. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STAFFING COMMITTEE

Cllrs Miss T Simmans updated Members on the current staffing issues.

e. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE

No report

183. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

184. MINUTES

- a. RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on the 5th March 2009 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

A vote was taken with a majority decision being reached.

185. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS

The following Committee Minutes and reports were noted by Members.

- a. Minutes of the Planning Committee 23 February 2009.
- b. Minutes of the Planning Committee 9 March 2009.
- c. Minutes of the Finance Committee 12 February 2009.
- d. Minutes of the Cemetery, Parks and Recreation Committee 19 February 2009.
- e. Reports from Members
 - i. Cllr Mr J Cullinane updated Members on the George Ward Community Project.
 - ii. Cllr Mr A Wheeler updated Members on the Hinckley Community Group Forum.
 - iii. Cllr Mrs T Hollingworth updated Members on the Parish Plan.

186. CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk updated members on Current issues including:-

- Public Enquiry on the footpath between Bardon Road and Bradgate Road
- Parish Community Initiative Fund update
- Dovecote Play area opening
- Lease on Dovecote
- E-On Lease
- Letter re Radford Park
- County/Parish Elections 4th June 2009

187. CO-OPTION VACANCIES ON THE COUNCIL

The Clerk informed members that 10 or more electors had requested an election in the Charnwood Ward therefore there would be an election for 1 vacancy. However 10 or more electors had not requested an election in the St Mary's Ward so the Council was now able to co-opt three Members.

It was RESOLVED to defer the matter to the next meeting.

A vote was taken with a unanimous decision being reached

Cllr's Mr B Granger and Mrs G Granger left the meeting

188. TRANSFER OF LAND

The Chairman updated Members on the progress of the land transfer. Members agreed that the matter is ongoing and will be brought up at another meeting when more information has been obtained.

189. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council – Report on findings of Patchwalk – Jitty Between The Barracks and Band Terrace

Noted

- b. LRALC Newsletter – March 2009

Noted

- c. Leicestershire County Council – Re: New Community Building

The Clerk is asked to write back and stress that no correspondence has been received from the George Ward Community Project requesting any support to facilitate this project and what are they asking for

- d. Vista – Open Day

Noted

RESOLVED that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 all Members of the Press and Public be asked to leave

190. THE COMMON PLAY AREA

Members agreed that the Clerk is to contact the contractors and instruct them to carry out the remedial work as reported by ROSPA.

(The meeting closed at 10.00pm)

Chairman’s Signature.....