# BARLEY PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of meeting of Barley Parish Council on Monday 11th July 2022

#### **PRESENT**

Cllr Jerry Carlisle (Chair), Cllr Ali Hearn and Cllr David King, Cllr Lee, Cllr Turner

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Mel Chammings (Clerk), County Cllr Fiona Hill, District Cllr Gerald Morris and 3 members of the public

## 1. APOLOGIES.

**1.1** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Haughey.

# 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

**2.1** No declarations of interest were made.

#### 3.MINUTES

**3.1** The Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were read and approved as an accurate record of proceedings. Proposed by Cllr Hearn and seconded by Cllr King.

## 4. PUBLIC PARTIPATION

**4.1** No issues were raised.

## 5. PLANNING

5.1 Planning reference: 21/00765/OP. Outline Planning Application for residential development of up to 280 dwellings Land off Barkway Road and North of Flint Hall

Having considered the new Strategic Masterplan Framework document together with the associated amended plans for this proposed development, members agreed that the new plans did not change their views and that their objection and previous comments stood.

# 6. FINANCE

**6.1** The RFO had previously distributed the list of payments for approval at this meeting.

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M Chammings	311.79	Clerking + Norton subs
L Brett	170.52	RFO
HMRC	462.20	Qtr. April-June

Bullard	360.00	Overhanging trees in Plaistow
Curwens	2643.60	Club Room lease Legal
Broadmead	108.00	Qrtly playground insp.
Bullard	190.80	April cut footpath
J Hedges	40.00	Refund allotment fee
Hardcastle Burton	990.00	Internal Audit

Approved. Proposed Cllr Turner and Seconded Cllr Hearn

Barley Town House		
NHDC	58.05	Special waste collection
Nick Shaw	1037.13	Expenses inc new cooker
Herts CC	1300.00	4year wedding licence
Dollys Vintage	50.00	Wedding official
M Chammings	291.00	TH letting fee
R Saklatvala	180.00	TH letting fee
V Martin	50.00	TH letting fee
Castle Water	404.85	Annual Charge

Proposed by Cllr Turner and seconded by Cllr King.

# **6.2** Accountability and Governance Return

- **6.2.1** The RFO reported that the internal audit had not thrown up any issues.
- **6.2.2** The members considered and approved the Accountability and Governance Return which was signed on behalf of members by the Chair, Cllr Carlisle and the Clerk, Mel Chammings.

## 7. REPORTS FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

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**County Cllr Hill** reported on the items that she had been involved with over the last month.

- Headlines from the meeting with OPCC concerning the Safety Camera included: evidence that the volume of cars exceeding 40 mph was reducing and the camera would be moved to the other site in October
- The completion of the kerbing for London Road was programmed and reliant on getting a further TRO (for road closure)
- Drain clearance and the conditional drain survey would take place 20-22<sup>nd</sup> July with full road closure. Highways would notify residents.
- Previous issues around failure to attend planned street cleaning dates had now been resolved.

**7.2 District Cllr Morris** reported that the inspector had returned his comments on the Local Plan, and these were now being reviewed by NHDC which should the go before council by year end.

# 8. REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES, COMMITTEES & PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

# 8.1 Town House

# **8.1.1** Mr Shaw reported that

- It had been necessary to buy a new oven for the downstairs kitchen
- There were 7 confirmed and four provisional bookings for weddings next year.

# 8.1.2 There were no Health and Safety issues to report

## 8.2 Plaistow

## 8.2.1

- The Village Show was successful, and thanks were given to all the organisers and volunteers who contributed to making the event run smoothly.
- Cllr Carlisle would tell Glyn Stacey, the Village Show Organiser that the marquees could not remain on the Plaistow. The marquees would deteriorate and more importantly there were safety concerns if the marquees were left unattended.
- The Broadmead Leisure June inspection of the play area was noted.
- Cllr Turner would tighten bolts etc which had loosened due to the excessive dry weather. (post meeting: carried out by Cllr Haughey and issues outlined in his email of 12<sup>th</sup> August)

## 8.2.2

It was agreed that Broadmead would be commissioned to replace the split timber post on the Adventure Trail. Action: Clerk

#### 8.2.3

It was also agreed to accept John Guerro's quote for repairs to the gates and posts. Action: Clerk

#### 8.3

# 8.3.1 The Tennis Club

Cllr Lee would meet with representative of the tennis club on 25<sup>th</sup> July to develop a first draft of the management agreement.

# 8.3.2 Boundary Commission

Cllr Lee attended a consultation meeting on proposed changes to ward boundaries. Ermine ward, which includes Barley was unlikely to change. Across NHDC the number of councilors was likely to increase by 1 to 50. The consultation period is open until August and the plan will be formally put to parliament in March 2023.

# 9. CLERKS REPORT

**9.1** Actions carried out by the Clerk were noted.

# 10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AND FUTURE ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

10.1 The next meeting would be on 5th September

# Items for future discussion

- a) Tennis club agreement
- b) Village Show report

The meeting ended at 21.45