

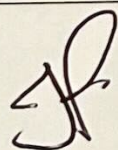
# BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

**Present:**

Cllr Pearson – Chair Cllr Ford Cllr Holmes	Cllr Wesley Cllr O'Brien Cllr Cousins	Clerk in attendance: Rachel Chilton
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Minute Ref	Action
6588	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllr Rawlings Cllr Steer Cllr Bragg
6589	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</b> Cllr Pearson relating to planning application DC/24/00625/HH – not an interest but disqualified himself from commenting.
6590	<b>PUBLIC FORUM: 19 members of the public present</b>  Member of the public – Could we have an update on the Neighbourhood Plan and a timeline of what the Parish Council are working towards? Cllr Pearson – The Neighbourhood Plan is yet to be formally submitted to West Suffolk Council. The submission will then trigger the timeline so fluid at this moment until such time as we submit and the referendum takes place.  Member of the public – two meetings ago did you say that the Parish Council receive an income stream from recycling the bottles. Cllr Pearson, we do get a recycling credit. Clarification given over the site of the recycling area. Member of the public raised concerns regarding health and safety over the amount of broken glass. Can the Parish Council look at getting this cleared up? Cllr Pearson - we will endeavour to have this area cleaned up.  Member of the public – how are we advertising for the post of village cleaner Cllr Pearson – this is on the notice boards and website. Member of the public – could the Parish Council look to advertise more widely? Cllr Pearson – we will look into getting it circulated more widely.  Member of the public –the Local Plan for West Suffolk has been submitted to the Secretary of State, how confident is the Parish Council that the Neighbourhood Plan will replace the Local Plan and not be in addition too. Cllr Pearson – West Suffolk could deliver beyond the numbers of 165 new homes, this is the minimum. The Local Plan have submitted a potential for over 2000 homes. The Parish Council have never felt that we could replace the Local Plan. We have made it clear that we are not putting forward the Neighbourhood Plan for additional housing and this is in the wording of our statement.



Member of the public – the Local Plan allocates 4 sites. Cllr Pearson – These are not all for new homes. 2 sites for new homes and 2 sites for business development.

General discussion over housing sites and numbering.

Member of the public – have you had any reassurance from West Suffolk Council – Cllr Pearson – no.

Member of the public – how have the Parish Council tried to stop the potential for additional housing? Cllr Pearson – we made representations during the consultation period for the Local Plan.

Member of the public – have you put into the Neighbourhood Plan that it is not our wish for more housing. Cllr Pearson, this is included in our Neighbourhood Plan.

Further general discussion from various members of the public and Cllr Pearson regarding numbers and sites and opposing the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan sites are included in West Suffolk's Local Plan. The democracy comes at the referendum. Every resident has the opportunity to vote.

Member of the public – Felt the residents could be swayed at the referendum by incentives. Cllr Pearson clarifying that the landowners have put forward a sum of money for the village that will not be ringfenced as with previous developments following challenges from residents that we did not benefit from any developments.

Member of the public – where has money come from for the changing facility? There is £185k from the last development on Beale Road which is ringfenced for a community building. Member of the public – does this come under S106 monies? Cllr Pearson yes.

*RE COMMUNITY FUND.*

Member of the public – do you have any ideas what you would spend the money on. Cllr Pearson not at the moment.

Member of the public – at the Bloor Homes presentation they were also offering incentives regarding what they would fund and put back into the village.

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**Minutes of the last meeting**

Proposed: Cllr O'Brien Seconded: Cllr Wesley

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**To receive the County Council Report**

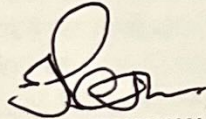
Cllr Soons arrived to give a report – nothing sent through but will be sent out soon.

Cllr Pearson asking about junctions and vegetation being overgrown and the danger it poses to the general public. Cllr Soons asking for these to be sent through to her but also report on the Suffolk Highways website.

Cllr Cousins asking about the A14 towards Newmarket – Cllr Soons suggesting that we go on one.net live link website which will show what the latest is on that area. Wondered what the County Council were doing to put

	pressure on it being rectified? Nothing seems to be happening. Cllr Soons saying it is a National Agency and separate from Suffolk County Council. Cllr Pearson suggested there is a case for the County Council to get involved to get it resolved. Cllr Soons suggested it was more effective to contact your MP.	
6593	<b>DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT</b> Not present.	
6594	<b>Community Police Report</b> No update.	
6595	<b>Appointment of Offs and Sub-Committees</b> As attached.	
6596	<b>Community Infrastructure</b> a) Cllr Wesley going to be done by 16 <sup>th</sup> June. Cllr Pearson, can we acquire some no parking signs as there are some issues.	
6597	<b>Neighbourhood Plan – Update by Cllr Rawlings</b> Not been submitted so no update at this point. Cllr Pearson saying they had received correspondence from a resident about a previous minute regarding a statement given by Cllr Rawlings. Stating that the 2020 Code of Conduct was not in force until recently. We are however held accountable under the 2020 Code of Conduct. Cllr Pearson noting we will need to review if we can go back and change past minutes.	
6598	<b>Barrow Parish Website – Hosting and email addresses</b> Clerk attending a tutorial on 7 <sup>th</sup> June and will report to the Cllrs when required. No costs have been given at this point.	
6599	<b>Changing Facility</b> Cllr Wesley waiting for a response from UKPN and AW. Clerk has made contact with Council regarding the S106 monies.	
6600	<b>Policies</b> Work in progress. Appointments to be made between Councillors and Clerk around other work commitments.	
6601	<b>Councillor Vacancy</b> We have two vacancies.	
6602	<b>D-Day</b> Tickets being sold – fish and chips ordered. Beacon has been ordered and arrived. The beacon will be in the car park at the front of the village hall. Requires safety barrier.	
6603	<b>Footpath near Cemetery</b> Cllr Wesley will approach the landowner.	
6604	<b>Newslink/The Stile</b>	

	Not Risby Parish Council it is independently run with an Editor. All the proceeds go to Risby Church. In favour of continuing with Newslink but we are lacking content at present.	
6605	<b>SALC</b> No updates available.	
6606	<b>Financial Matters</b> To approve accounts.  Approval proposed by Cllr Ford; seconded by Cllr Cousin.  Payments accepted; proposed by Cllr Wesley, seconded by Cllr Cousins.  Invoices approved.  Allotments – outstanding payments required.	
6607	<b>Planning Applications for Consideration</b>  DC/24/00625/HH – no comment.  DC/24/0657/HH – no comment.	
6608	<b>Planning determinations</b> None to note.	
	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024 in the Committee Room of Barrow Village Hall at 7:15pm.  The meeting was closed at 8:15pm	

Signed:  (Chairman) date: 01/07/24

**Correspondence**

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I just wondered if the Parish Council had any idea as to how long the "works" will continue.

They are not considerate builders. There have been nails and glass strewn all over the pavement and electric drills working until 11.30pm.

There is rubbish piled everywhere.

It is an eyesore and sometimes dangerous for pedestrians.

It is now several weeks and an update would be appreciated, although there was never any warning that this work would be undertaken.

Thank you.

With best wishes

## COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT - JULY 2024

MESSAGES CASCADED - NONE

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2024 = 2

CATEGORY	LOCATION	TIMELINE/ACTION
V & S	On or near Meadow Way	No data available
Other theft	On or near Cedar Rd	No data available

Figures for May not yet published.

The Police Surgery was held on the playing field on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 between 12 - 2pm, officers attending was PC Emma McDuff and PCSO Rachel Darvil. A total of 16 residents spoke to them (including some children). The only issue that was raised was ASB to do with speeding vehicles with loud exhausts. The Police are arranging an ASB investigation for this and will look to speak to the drivers. Despite the advertising (posters etc) only one of the residents attended as a result of this.

I wrote to Suffolk Police (via live chat on their website) to enquire why we are unable to access the timeline for each reported crime, unable to explain why and referred back to the Community team. I took this issue up with Emma and Rachel who will investigate further. It appears that when the format of the website was revamped, following the Community Policing restructuring, that this element was overlooked.

Ralph Rawlings

1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.

## **Barrow-cum-Denham Neighbourhood Plan Update – Presented at Parish Council Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.**

AGENDA ITEM FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2024 - 3

### **Statement of Responses to Public Consultation.**

With regard to the Response Statement, which I circulated to Councillors on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024, as this is a requirement for inclusion into the Neighbourhood Plan Submission document, we will need to formally accept this at tonight's meeting.

### **Neighbourhood Plan Submission**

Whilst we were virtually at the point of final submission, in undertaking a final check that we had met the required criteria, we were advised by West Suffolk Council that we should produce an updated Habitat Regulation Assessment (the previous report was dated February 2021).

We discussed this with Aecom (the authors) who believed this would be beneficial, so we have no alternative but to agree to have this work done.

The DLUHC have confirmed that grants are available for the year 2024/5 so we have applied for a grant via the Locality Office to cover the cost. As this work is deemed Technical, it is the DLUHC who will pay Aecom direct. There will be no cost to the Parish Council.

We did receive a phone call from the locality office to confirm that we met the necessary criteria however Aecom are unable to commence work until they receive formal confirmation from DLUHC. We have now been waiting for this confirmation for some 4 weeks.

This delay has put back our schedule and as a result we cannot advise the revised timetable.

As soon as we receive the updated Habitat Regulation Assessment report, we will be able to finally submit our Neighbourhood Plan.

Ralph Rawlings

1<sup>st</sup> July 2024