

BARFORD SHERBOURNE AND WASPERTON JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Parish Council held at Sherbourne Village Hall
on Monday 14 June 2010

Present: Cllr J V Murphy (Chairman)
Cllrs: Mrs W Barlow, R Clay, Mrs D S Cobb, Mrs M A Hayward, DC Morrow,
R G Mulgrue, A B Rhead, W Worrall, Mrs A Gordon, M J Metcalfe, N F J Thurley,
J T Wright,
Apologies: Cllr Mrs P W Wilkinson,
In Attendance: Cllr L Caborn

Opening

- 31 The meeting opened at 7:30 pm
32 No members of the public were present.
33 Apologies for absence were noted.

Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- 34 Cllr Worrall declared a prejudicial interest in the matter of funding for the 1st Barford Show and absented himself from the meeting whilst it was discussed.

Minutes of the Meeting of Council 10 May 2010

- 35 The minutes were approved as a true record.

Matters arising

- 36 Minute 11. Cllr Byerley's request for details of the waiting list for allotments was responded to by Cllr Clay who said that no resident of Barford was on it.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 4 May 2010

- 37 The minutes were approved as a true record.

Matters arising

- 38 Minute 17. Cllr Worrall reported his attendance at the WDC Planning Committee to argue the JPC's case for refusal of the second retrospective planning permission for the erection of a 1.6m high timber fence to the boundary of Green Acres, 34 Bridge Street, Barford, fronting the highway. WDC Cllr Rhead also spoke in support of the JPC position, declared a prejudicial interest and took no further part in the debate. The JPC view was also robustly supported by some other members of the WDC Planning Committee and permission was refused by a vote of 5:4.

[Cllr Rhead joined the meeting]

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 10 May 2010

- 39 The minutes were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 24 May 2010

40 The minutes were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising.

Cash Balances as at 31 May 2010

41 The JPC took note of the following cash balances

HSBC	£ 1,739.01
Alliance & Leicester	£ 36,686.72

Receipts and Payments

42 The JPC endorsed the following:

Date	Payee	Category	Total
1 May 10	Allianz	Bus Shelters Maintenance	313.00
4 May 10	J F Johnson	Postage	(14.46)
4 May 10	J F Johnson	Travel Expenses	(91.85)
4 May 10	Allianz	Insurance	(1,026.11)
4 May 10	Ash	Allotments Rents	44.75
5 May 10	MFM Services	Mowing Charges	(183.00)
5 May 10	Louise Best	Audit Fees	(75.00)
5 May 10	Burton	Allotments Rents	150.00
5 May 10	A&L	Bank Interest	2.04
6 May 10	R Smith-Ryland	Consideration Covenant Release	(5,000.00)
10 May 10	S&D Window Cleaners	Bus Shelters Maintenance	(60.00)
12 May 10	TPC	Printing and Stationery	(154.14)
25 May 10	George Worrall Engineering	Notice Boards	(2,144.38)
26 May 10	HMRC	VAT prior year (HMRC)	356.66
28 May 10	HMRC	Employment Expenses	(535.18)
28 May 10	J F Johnson	Employment Expenses	(677.41)
28 May 10	J F Johnson	Office Accommodation	(50.00)

[Cllr Caborn joined the meeting]

River Walkway and Landing Stage in Barford

43 Cllr Mrs Barlow introduced the possibility of creating a walkway and landing stage on WCC land next to the river at the south end of the village. She was granted approval to create a working party to see if it is feasible. The working party comprises:

- Cllr Clay
- Cllr Metcalfe
- Cllr Morrow
- Cllr Mulgrue

Request for Funding - 1st Barford Show

44 The JPC considered an application for funding for the 1st Barford Show to be held on the August Bank Holiday, specifically for the hire of buildings. The grant is required only in the event that the show fails to make enough money to cover this cost which is £298.

45 WALC's advice is that the JPC has the power to make such a grant under the Local Government Act 1972 s 145.

- 46 The JPC approved a grant of up to £298 to be paid in whole or in part (to fund a shortfall) upon production of receipted invoices and audited financial statement after but within three months of the show.
- 47 Approval was given for the use of Barford Village Green for the event.

Exercise Watermark

- 48 In the period 4-11 March 2011 there will be a national flood exercise called Exercise Watermark involving organizations at all levels from Central Government down to community groups.
- 49 Through the Warwickshire Local Resilience Forum (that is all agencies from local government, emergency services, health agencies, environment agency) WDC seeks to participate at community level and will be basing its activities on this. The key aims locally will involve the following:
- Building on the links established in Parish and Locality Community Emergency Plans
 - Communication with communities
 - Activation of local flood arrangements through Parish Emergency Plans (could involve setting up local emergency committees, evacuation, etc)
 - Community expectations – what the authorities can or cannot do.
 - Warning and informing – publicity links.
 - Helping to build local community resilience through:
 - Arrangements for vulnerable people
 - What can be provided?
 - Empowerment
 - Local roles
- 50 This will depend upon local communities through parish councils becoming involved. It is hoped to have around a dozen or more communities involved in the exercise across Warwickshire. WDC wishes to know if the JPC would be interested in participating; the involvement is not over the whole week it could just be a few hours during the day or evening on one of the days.
- 51 The JPC agreed that it should be involved in the exercise and nominated the following representatives to WDC as points of contact:
- Cllr Clay for Barford
 - Cllr Mrs Gordon for Sherbourne

Road Safety Proposal for A46/A439 Marraway Roundabout

- 52 Amey (the managing agent for the Highways Agency for this part of the A46) explains that existing signs at the roundabout indicate the national speed limit whereas the lighting implies a lower limit. It is conducting an exercise to ensure consistency between the two. This is a paper operation and will make no difference to the speed limit at the junction. Amey invites anybody to submit comments, and the absence of a reply will be interpreted as "No comment".
- 53 The JPC voted to accept the change and to make no response.
- 54 The discussion of this item gave rise to a wider issue; that of the inconsistency of speed limits on local and indeed national roads, seen by many as both confusing and a contribution to poor road safety. It was agreed that this should be debated at the next meeting of the JPC and Cllr Mrs Gordon was invited to frame a resolution.

Review of Standing Orders

- 55 The working party formed to examine the latest Model Standing Orders published by NALC and to edit them to match the requirement of the JPC presented its final version. The consensus was that the working party had done a good job.
- 56 This was approved by members and adopted forthwith.

Any Other Business

57 Cllr Murphy:

- 57.1 Barford St Peter's Primary School is holding a "Summer Camp" from 26 July until 3 September which would be available to all children aged 5-14yrs with minimal implications for parking and traffic. The marquee used for this purpose could be available when not in use to other users by contacting the school directly.
- 57.2 He has had no further contact with the WCC Footpaths Officer about the Barford Allotments footpath gate plans (Cllr Caborn to expedite).
- 57.3 Work on the Barford playing field/cemetery boundary will start at the end of the bird nesting season after the end of August.

58 Cllr Mrs Hayward.

- 58.1 Work on the Glebe Hotel Cedar tree will start in July.
- 58.2 Baron's Lodge, Hareway Lane (the subject of recent planning enforcement to have the decking stained) now presented a mix of colours. The Clerk had received a telephone call from WDC Planning Enforcement to say that the resident had met all the conditions of the planning permission, but this did not satisfy members who requested that the finished colour scheme should be inspected again.
- 58.3 The Barford website has an out of date bus timetable. (Cllr Mulgrue to check)

59 Cllr Thurley.

- 59.1 The south-bound bus stop sign at Wasperton (demolished in an accident) will be replaced in the next three weeks.

60 Cllr Worrall.

- 60.1 The Heritage Information Board on has been erected on Barford Village Green.

61 Cllr Rhead.

- 61.1 The first (northern-most) exit off the Barford Bypass into Barford is a very dangerous turn and remedial action must be taken if serious accidents are to be prevented there.
- 61.2 He would bring the matter to the attention of WCC.
- 61.3 This would be added to the agenda for the next JPC meeting.

62 Cllr Caborn.

- 62.1 He reminded the meeting that £3k of grant is available in the next 12 month from the Warwick Area Committee Warwick Area Fund

Closure

- 63 There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:35 pm.

Date of Next Meeting

- 64 The next meeting of the JPC is on Monday 12 July 2010 at 7:30 pm in Wasperton Village Hall.