

BARFORD SHERBOURNE AND WASPERTON JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Parish Council held at Barford Memorial Hall on Tuesday 17th January 2006

Present: Cllr J V Murphy (Chairman)
Cllr M P Byerley, Cllr R Clay, Cllr Mrs M A Hayward, Cllr K S Hope, Cllr R G Mulgrue, Cllr S G Starkey, Cllr W Worrall, Cllr Mrs A Gordon, Cllr G P Grima, Cllr Mrs J A Jackson, Cllr E G Scrannage, Cllr Dr M J Metcalfe, Cllr G F Smith, Cllr J T Wright, Cllr R G Butler, Cllr L Caborn,
Apologies: Cllr Mrs C Sawdon

Opening

- 223 The meeting opened at 7:30 pm
- 224 Nine members of the public were present.
- 225 Apologies for absence were noted.
- 226 The Chairman welcomed Cllr Scrannage and PC Matthews (CBO) to their first meeting

Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- 227 Any declarations are included in the appropriate minute

Matters for the Constabulary

- 228 The CBO gave a summary of police activities.
- 229 The list did not include a theft from Barford School. The CBO said it was her understanding that this was not recorded as a crime but that she would investigate further and report her findings to the JPC.
- 230 In response to the criticism that messages left on her mobile phone were not answered when she was absent from duty, the CBO said that her number was intended for non-urgent communication. When it was necessary to contact the police immediately the number 01926 415000 or 999 should be used. It was agreed that this advice should be given wide publicity.

Minutes of the Meeting of Council 15th November 2005

- 231 The minutes were accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising

- 232 Minute 188. Concern was expressed over the continued uncertainty over the date of opening of the Barford Post Office.
[Afternote: No application has been received by the Rural Transfer Advisor.]

233 Minute 219. The Clerk reported the police response to the enquiry about service level agreements; it read:

“I have made enquiries and it does not appear that any such SLA exists, though we have recently made a local agreement through Peter Cutts (WDC) that we will attend or be represented at each quarterly EDP meeting.

We have acknowledged that an SLA would be helpful when we switch in the near future to Neighbourhood Team proposals.

Inspector Richard Woodcock”

234 Minute 220. There having been little evidence of the removal of fly-posting by the Highways Department, the Clerk was instructed to raise the matter again, this time with Planning Enforcement.

[Afternote: Letter sent to Planning Enforcement]

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 15th November 2005

235 The minutes were accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 5th December 2005

236 The minutes were accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 3rd January 2006

237 The minutes were accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

Reports from Representatives Appointed to Serve on Other Bodies

238 Cllr Clay had represented the JPC at the WDC Planning Committee hearing the Glebe Hotel application.

239 Cllr Murphy reported on a meeting of the Barford Bypass Liaison Group.

Cash Balances as at 1st January 2006

240 Members took note of the following cash balances:

	Reconciled	Cash Book
HSBC	£6,974.36	£5,767.31
Alliance & Leicester	£20,218.37	£20,271.48
Total	£27,192.73	£26,038.79

Receipts and Payments

241 Members endorsed the following:

Date	Cheque	Payee	Category	HSBC		Alliance & Leicester	
				Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
3 Nov 05		Alliance & Leicester	09 Interest				54.72
5 Nov 05	101510	MFM Services	01 Mowing charges	110.00			
7 Nov 05	101511	Prontaprint	08 Printing and stationery	18.51			
9 Nov 05	101512	J F Johnson	08 Travel	3.00			
16 Nov 05	101513	S&D Window Cleaners	02 Repairs and maintenance	45.00			
19 Nov 05	101514	Multimount	01 General repairs and maintenance	297.82			
19 Nov 05		HSBC	09 Interest		1.70		
21 Nov 05	101515	CPA Horticulture Ltd	01 General repairs and maintenance	809.88			
21 Nov 05	101516	CPA Horticulture Ltd	01 General repairs and maintenance	772.28			
30 Nov 05	SO	Inland Revenue	08 Employment Expenses	304.77			
30 Nov 05	SO	J F Johnson	08 Employment Expenses	633.24			
30 Nov 05	SO	J F Johnson	08 Office Accommodation	42.95			
30 Nov 05	101517	J F Johnson	08 Travel	64.93			
30 Nov 05	101518	J F Johnson	08 Postage	13.56			
30 Nov 05		Alliance & Leicester	09 Interest				53.11
8 Dec 05	101519	Prontaprint	08 Printing and stationery	51.15			
15 Dec 05	101520	SLCC	08 Society of Local Council Clerks	108.00			
19 Dec 05		HSBC	09 Interest		0.98		
20 Dec 05	101521	S&D Window Cleaners	02 Repairs and maintenance	45.00			
31 Dec 05	SO	Inland Revenue	08 Employment Expenses	304.77			
31 Dec 05	SO	J F Johnson	08 Employment Expenses	633.24			
31 Dec 05	SO	J F Johnson	08 Office Accommodation	42.95			
31 Dec 05	101522	J F Johnson	08 Travel	17.87			
31 Dec 05	101523	J F Johnson	08 Postage	17.72			

Estimates for 2006-7

242 RESOLVED: That the precept for 2006-7 be set at £25,875.

243 RESOLVED: That the estimates for 2006-7 at Annex A to these minutes be adopted.

Mowing Contract 2006-7

244 RESOLVED: That the running contract with MFM Services for mowing be continued for another year at a cost of £1,472

Churchyard Maintenance Grants

245 Declarations of personal interest were made by:

- Cllr Mrs Hayward
- Cllr Murphy

- 246 RESOLVED: That the following churchyard maintenance grants be made:
- Barford £333
 - Sherbourne £333
 - Wasperton £333

Village Hall Grants

- 247 Declarations of personal interest were made by:
- Cllr Murphy
 - Cllr Worrall
- 248 RESOLVED: That the following village hall grants be made:
- Barford £ 400
 - Sherbourne £1,000
 - Wasperton £ 250
- 249 A further £750 to be reserved for Wasperton pending further acceptable details of window replacement and additional fund raising.

King George V Playing Fields Barford (Charity)

- 250 Members were informed that the JPC is the Corporate Trustee of the King George V Playing Fields Barford Charity.
- 251 Members authorized the Chairman to sign the Charity Commission Annual Return 2005 on their behalf.

Barford Parish Plan

- 252 Declarations of personal interest were made by:
- Cllr Mrs Hayward
 - Cllr Mulgrue
 - Cllr Murphy
 - Cllr Worrall
- 253 RESOLVED: That the Barford Parish Plan be adopted.

M40 J15 Longbridge Improvement Scheme

- 254 Members discussed the latest proposals for the scheme. They were agreed that too little information had been made available for a considered response to which the whole JPC would subscribe to be made.
- 255 The Clerk was instructed to respond to Snitterfield's enquiry in those terms.

Barford Bypass

- 256 Sherbourne's independent response to the proposals was examined. There was insufficient agreement about the accuracy of its content to allow it to be endorsed by the JPC. Nevertheless it stood in its own right.
- 257 The consultation documents would be made available to any member wishing to express a view on the matter.

Any Other Business

- 258 Warwick Castle Park. Green Issues is a company employed by the owners of Warwick Castle Park to explore the possibility of developing it. The details of such development are unknown. A second in a series of four "Stakeholder Forum" meetings will take place in Warwick on 9th February at which Cllr Worrall will represent the JPC and Cllr Clay will attend in a private capacity.
- 259 Data Protection. Recent changes in the regulations require the JPC to be registered as a Data Controller. This was agreed and the subscription of £35 approved.
- 260 Allotments. Cllr Byerley reported difficulty in engaging a contractor to top and plough about three acres of land for allotments.
- 261 Affordable Housing. Concern was expressed over the allocation of affordable housing in the Oldhams site redevelopment; the JPC was likely to continue support for the project only if it could be assured that local residents would have preference in the allocation of these dwellings on first and subsequent occupations. Cllr Butler described the need for a condition in a Section 106 Planning Agreement or for a restrictive covenant in the conveyance to ensure this outcome. Cllr Hope undertook to conduct further investigation.
- 262 Highways. Members reported:
- Missing reflectors on the chicane in Barford
 - The footpath to Debden Hollow is in a dangerous condition
 - The path from the A429 to the footbridge over the M40 needs attention
- [Afternote: Reported to the Highways Department, reference PEM104023]
- 263 Bus Shelters. The Sherbourne bus shelter is in a dirty condition.
[Afternote: Contractors instructed to remedy.]
- 264 Glebe Hotel. It was reported that the environs of the Glebe Hotel are untidy.
- 265 There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10:42 pm

Date of Next Meeting

- 266 The next ordinary meeting of Council is on Tuesday 21st February 2006 at 7:30 pm in Sherbourne Village Hall

**BUDGET 2006-7
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Opening balance 2005-6	22,513
Excess of Income over Expenditure 2005-6	<u>-6,645</u>
Opening balance 2006-7	15,868
Excess of Income over Expenditure 2006-7	<u>4,973</u>
Closing balance 2006-7	20,841
Ring-fenced:	
Election expenses	4,500
War memorial reserve	<u>841</u>
FREE RESERVE	<u>15,500</u>
Precept 2006-7	£25,875
Tax Base 2006-7	774.93

BUDGET 2006-7

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1 Recreation Grounds and Open Spaces	
General repairs and maintenance	-1,000
Mowing charges	-1,472
Skateboard ramps noise reduction	-750
Income:	
Barford playing field lettings	154
	<u>-3,068</u>
2 Bus Shelters	
Repairs and maintenance	-616
	<u>-616</u>
3 Allotments	
Hire of land	-150
Income:	
Allotment rents	60
	<u>-90</u>
4 Churchyard Maintenance	
Grants	-1,027
	<u>-1,027</u>
5 Village Halls	
Grants	-2,525
	<u>-2,525</u>
6 Tree and Bulb Planting	
General expenses	0
	<u>0</u>
7 Roadside Seats	
Repairs and maintenance	0
	<u>0</u>
8 Other Expenses	
Advertising and Publicity	-100
Audit fees	-206
Bank Charges	-15
Books and publications	0
Chairman's allowance	-349
Election expenses	0
Employment expenses	-12,100
Hire of meeting venues	0
Insurances	-873
Litter bins WDC charges	0
Noticeboard repairs and maintenance	-200
Office accommodation	-534
Postage	-370
Printing and stationery	-924
Subscriptions:	
Society of Local Council Clerks	-111
Association of Local Councils	-338
Training and seminar expenses	-185
Travel	-447
Contingency	0
	<u>-16,751</u>

9 Other Income	
Concurrent services contributions WDC	1,720
Interest	450
Precept	25,875
VAT prior year	1,000
Wayleave	4
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10 Section 137	
Section 137 grants	0
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11 Barford Parish Plan	
Income	0
Expenditure	0
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TOTAL	4,973
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COUNCIL TAX 2006-7

Band	Relative Liability	Council Tax 2005-6	Council Tax 2006-7	Difference (£/month)
A	6/9	£15.01	£22.26	£0.60
B	7/9	£17.51	£25.97	£0.71
C	8/9	£20.01	£29.68	£0.81
D	9/9	£22.51	£33.39	£0.91
E	11/9	£27.51	£40.81	£1.11
F	13/9	£32.51	£48.23	£1.31
G	15/9	£37.52	£55.65	£1.51
H	18/9	£45.02	£66.78	£1.81