

**Barford St John & St Michael Parish Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 at 7.30pm in Barford Village Hall**

**The meeting commenced at 7.35pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Turner, Hobbs, Eden, Styles, District Cllr Williams and Mr Best (Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer)

**Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Best & Charman County Cllr Fatemian

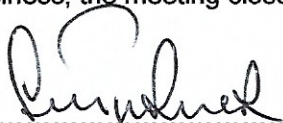
17/058	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None
17/059	<b>Election of Chairman &amp; Vice Chairman</b> – Sandi Turner was elected Chairman, proposed by Pete Eden and seconded by Lisa Styles. Lisa Styles was elected Vice Chairman, proposed by Lisa Styles, proposed by Pete Eden and seconded by Rodney Hobbs.
17/060	<b>Appointment of Responsible Officer</b> – David Best was appointed Responsible Officer, proposed by Rodney Hobbs and seconded by Pete Eden.
17/061	<b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 were a true and accurate record of the meeting (unanimous).
17/062	<b>Matters arising from the minutes:</b> None
17/063 17/063/1 17/063/2  17/063/3  17/063/4  17/063/5	<p><b>Clerk's Report:</b></p> <p><b>Speed monitoring</b> – Speed Monitors are due to be installed any day now.</p> <p><b>Footpath Issues</b> – Caroline Belson reported that a small tree had fallen across footpath 11 (Woolgrove's land) but she moved it to one side and that a step is broken at the style at the end of Horn Hill on footpath 1. The clerk has requested Sarah Aldous, OCC Rights of Way Field Officer to have it repaired.</p> <p><b>Barford St John Broadband</b> – Better Broadband Oxfordshire has confirmed that superfast broadband will be delivered by the end of 2018 to all premises except 3 that are covered by OX15 0PR postcodes (Crown House, Manor House Cottage &amp; Manor House).</p> <p><b>Seat in Netherworton Road</b> – The clerk has cleared the grass, cowparsley and brambles from this. It is beyond the verge cutting carried out by Thomas Fox.</p> <p><b>Cables Under the Green</b> – BT Openreach has advised that there are not cables under the green. Western Power has acknowledged the request for information but have not yet answered.</p>
17/064	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p><b>Cherwell Parish Liaison Meeting Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b> – Invitations will be issued in mid-May but CDC has requested topics for discussion by 12<sup>th</sup> May. The PC will request planning as a topic for discussion.</p>
17/065	<b>Public Participation:</b> None
17/066	<b>County Councillor's Report:</b> None
17/067	<b>District Councillor's Update:</b> None due to County Council Election Purdah.
17/068 17/068/1  17/068/2  17/068/3  17/068/4  17/068/5	<p><b>Parish Matters:</b></p> <p><b>Appointment of two representatives to the Village Hall Committee</b> – Rodney Hobbs and Sandi Turner were appointed as representatives to the VHC.</p> <p><b>Election of New Councillor</b> - Volunteers are sought. No one has come forward yet after the announcement at the Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p><b>Decision on reinforcement of Village Green</b> – It was agreed (unanimously) to proceed with strengthening the Village Green to prevent/ reduce damage from car driving over the south edge. A budget of £1,000 was agreed.</p> <p><b>Play equipment, West Close</b> – Trevor Stewart, the play area advisor, who is working on proposals.</p> <p><b>Approval of Expenditure for replacement Village Hall doors</b> – Expenditure was approved for replacing the Village Hall doors (unanimous).</p>

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<p><b>17/070</b></p>	<p><b>Reports from Meetings: None</b></p>
<p><b>17/071</b>  17/071/1    17/071/2    17/071/3</p>	<p><b>Finance -</b>  <b>S137 Grants</b> – 4 grant applications were approved for a total of £2,350. They are Barford News £500, Parochial Church Council £750, Village Hall for £1,000 and Deddington Library £100. The clerk will write to confirm. These amounts. The Village Hall grant is for doors.  <b>Payments</b> - The Clerk sought approval to pay cheques totalling £1,040.48. This was approved unanimously.  <b>Accounts for Y/E April 2017</b> – These have not been given to Jeremy Eastwood yet as the clerk is waiting for savings account bank statements. The last one received was 19<sup>th</sup> October to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016. They are bi monthly statements so two have not been received. Barclays Bank has confirmed that they have corrected the address and that the statements should be received within 5 working days</p>
<p><b>17/072</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business: None</b></p>

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed by Chairman.....

Date.....7.6.17.....