

Barford St John & St Michael Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 7th February 2018 at 7.30pm in Barford Village Hall

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

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

Apologies for absence: County Cllr Fatemian


18/014	Declarations of Interest: None
18/015	Co-option of new Councillor: Ray Cox was co-opted as a new Councillor by a unanimous vote of all Councillors.
18/016	Minutes of the last meeting: It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 rd January 2018 were a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Charman, seconded Cllr Eden.
18/017	Matters arising from the minutes: None
18/018 17/018/1 17/018/2	Clerk's Report: Speeding – The "Watch Your Speed" signs have not yet arrived from OCC Highways. Grass Cutting – Thomas Fox Landscaping has confirmed that they will hold their prices for 2018.
18/019	Correspondence: None
18/020	Public Participation: None
18/021	County Councillor's Report: None
18/022 18/022/1 18/022/2 18/022/3 18/022/4 18/022/5 18/022/6 18/022/7 18/022/8 18/022/9	District Councillors Report: Carillion - Some parishioners enquired, CDC had no contracts with Carillion. Capita - CDC does have contracts with Capita for the supply of ICT systems for Revenues and Benefits and Payments. Officers are in the process of assessing the risks and business continuity arrangements associated with these contracts. Castle Quay I & Castle Quay II - Cherwell District council has completed the purchase of Castle Quay & Castle Quay II. Council Tax 2018/19 - CDC will propose at February's full council meeting that the district's proportion of Council Tax will remain unchanged for the ninth year. Unitary Council - Due to various other more pressing issues at Westminster and nationally, the prospect of Unitary Councils has been ushered aside, it is believed it is off the agenda for the foreseeable future. Bloxham Housing Application - An outline application for up to 150 dwellings has been made to CDC. The case officer responsible has advised that the application conflicts on a number of points and that CDC's Local Plan, Bloxham's Neighbourhood Plan and the fact that CDC now have a 5.7 year land supply will ensure that it is rejected. National Planning Policy Framework - There is a new updated NPPF due in July of this year, it is anticipated this will make it easier for self-builders to build their own homes and relax rules for owners to extend their homes. Recycling - CDC and South Northants DC have signed a joint contract with Leicester based, Casepak MRF. This means that from March 2018, a higher proportion of the paper, plastic and metal placed in the blue recycling bins will be separated and recycled. There will also be 2/3 less travel to the recycling depot than currently, meaning less pollution Parking Enforcement - The additional activity commenced in October 2017 and from the PCSOs record sheets, 343 parking tickets were issued: Banbury issued 245 tickets compared to 53 tickets issued by the team in Sept 2017. Bicester issued 84 tickets compared to 24 tickets issued in September 2017. Kidlington issued 14 tickets but there is no September comparison. Whilst originally aimed at the three urban centres, this activity has extended to those villages which have main roads through them, namely Deddington and Bloxham but with fewer patrols than the urban centres. The PCSOs are also identifying those areas where on-street parking problems are evident but enforcement is not possible due to inadequate signs and lines. CDC will collate and use this information to request OCC as the highway authority to address the signs and lines requirements.

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<p>18/023 18/023/1 18/023/2</p>	<p>Parish Matters: West Close Play Area – The sub-committee advised that a bank account is in the process of being opened. Councillors have reviewed the alternative designs and quotes and the proffered supplier is scheme is Sovereign. Annual General Meeting – This will be held on Wednesday 25th April.</p>
<p>18/024 18/024/1 18/024/2 18/024/3 18/024/4</p>	<p>Planning: Application 17/00429/TCA, Barford House, Prune Trees, Granted 08/01/2018. Application 17/02463/F, Buttermilk Farm, Variation to 17/01304/F. Granted 31/01/2018 Application 17/02514/F, Buttermilk Farm, Alternative to 16/01116/F. Returned to CDC. Application 18/00028/TCA, Cottage Barn, prune tree. Returned to CDC</p>
<p>18/025</p>	<p>Reports from Meetings: None</p>
<p>18/026 18/026/1</p>	<p>Finance: Payments - The Clerk sought approval to pay cheques totalling £580 This was proposed by Cllr Hobbs and seconded by Charman.</p>
<p>18/027</p>	<p>Any Other Business: None</p>

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed by Chairman 

Date 7.3.18