

Barford St John & St Michael Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 12th May 2022 at 7.30pm in Barford Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Turner, Hobbs, Charman, Nolan, Lovell and Mr Best, (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer). No members of the public attended the meeting.

Apologies for absence: Cllr Cox, District Cllr Williams, County Cllr Fatemian

22/040	Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) – Cllr Turner was elected Chairman, Cllr Hobbs was elected Vice Chairman and Mr Best was elected RFO.
22/041	Co-option of additional Councillor – Mr Chris Charman was elected as a member of the Parish Council. All Councillors signed Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
22/042	Declarations of Interest: None
22/043	Minutes of the last meeting: It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 th April 2022 were a true and accurate record (unanimous)
22/044	Matters arising from the minutes: None
21/045	Public Participation: None
22/046	Clerk's Report: None.
22/047 22/047/1	Correspondence: Access to West Close for telephone box removal - A resident has applied for permission to take a crane into West Close to remove a telephone box from their garden. This was agreed unanimously.
22/048	County Councillor's Report from Arash Fatemian: None.
22/049	District Councillors Report from Bryn Williams: None.
22/050	Parish Matters: Queen's Platinum Jubilee Mugs – These have been purchased and will be given to children at the BBQ on Sunday 5 th June. Allotment Update – A resident has requested to take over one of the two vacant allotments.
22/051 22/051/1 22/051/2	Planning: 21/04098/F – Letterbox cottage – replace single storey extension – Permission granted by CDC. 21/01121/F – 3 Robins Close - Extensions – PC supports.
22/052	Reports from Meetings: None.
22/053 22/053/1 22/053/2	Finance: Payments - The Clerk gained approval for payments totalling £1,212.11 including £622.28 for mowing and £335.23 for Queen's Platinum Jubilee mugs. The combined bank balances are £11,295.49 after the receipts and payments. Exemption from External Audit – It was RESOLVED unanimously to claim exemption from the limited assurance review of the accounts by an external auditor as the income and expenditure were both below £25,000.
22/054 22/054/1 25/054/2	Any Other Business: The footpath from the end of Horn Hill – This appears to have been diverted. It was agreed that the clerk will report this to the Oxfordshire County Council footpaths officer. Roadside Gulleys blocked – This gulleys at the side of the road down the hill into Barford St John have silted up and the verge is being eroded by the rainwater. There is a deep rut at the edge of the road and there are reports of tyres being damaged in it. It was agreed that the clerk will ask Oxfordshire County Council to clear the gulleys and fill the rut.

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The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st June 2022 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.
The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed by Chairman.....

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