

BARDSEY CUM RIGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 10TH 2019

POLICE AND RESIDENTS FORUM The Police report mentioned only 3 crimes – all burglaries residential.

One resident attended to discuss the current crime problem in the village.

PRESENT Cllrs Stentiford, Sidle, Ward, Denby, Flockton, and Hoyland Ward Cllr Ryan Stephenson also attended.

APOLOGIES Cllrs Bosomworth, West, and Tatman.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS. None.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5TH DECEMBER 2018 These were approved.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Increasing Levels of Crime in Bardsey. There have been further incidents of vandalism since Christmas. Cars have been broken into, valuables removed, and other damage done on a rampage by 4 young people. The Chairman had notified Alec Shelbrooke MP who had replied saying that he is liaising with Inspector Mc Kolverley and other stakeholders over the matter. He hopes that CCTV footage will identify the suspects. Cllr Robinson wrote that he has kept in touch with the Wetherby Police who are moving forward with the role of CCTV sharing schemes in each village. Geoff Nottingham has suggested that interested residents contact the Clerk, who then sends a list to him. This should be advertised in village newsletters and websites. Any business and other type of building, including local sports clubs, village halls and shops with CCTV, can join the scheme. There was much discussion at the council meeting but it was accepted that all BPC can do is keep pressure on the Police and advertise the CCTV scheme on the website.

2 SID devices for Bardsey. Cllr Tatman has received an apology from Nick Borrás for his failure to reply to e mails and his failure to erect the SIDs before the year end. He promised to ask the Street Lighting Team to erect all 4 (2 on the A58 and 2 on Keswick Lane) before the end of the month .Andrew Richardson will then contact Cllr Tatman and arrange to meet him on site and show him how to download the traffic data.

3.Defibrillator The Chairman has now changed the pads and the green light is showing again ,so all appears to be in order.

4.Highways Update – Cllr Hoyland reported:-

- A58- Reflector posts at end of Church Lane – Nick Borrás has now apologised as he thought they had been instated. He will try to get them installed within a similar timescale to the installation of SIDs.
- Church Lane – opposite Wearmouth’s shop to Ghyll Cottage – seeking help from Bob Buckenham to restore daffodil area. Ryan Stephenson offered to help.
- Congreve Way – BH reported the broken road sign which has been referred to Traffic Management. for attention.

- Keswick Lane/ East Keswick Footpath – reported to PROW issues with surface near gate which is causing problems for prams etc.
- Hedges – Hedges on paths, as on Keswick Lane, need cutting back as they block a parent with child walking together. This also applies to other areas and is a safety matter to which residents should pay attention.

5.Cornmill Ginnel. Cllr Sidle reported that an e mail had been received from residents in Cornmill Close saying that in their opinion the tree work had been completed and is adequate as it stands, and therefore keeps the traffic noise to a minimum. Cllr Tatman has been trying to speak to Ben Cornelly of LCC about implementing the surface work. **(Action GT)**

6.Leeds Country Way – re-routing at Wike Lane. The Chairman reported that he has discussed holding a site meeting with Derek Hills and Roger Brookes to take this matter further. They need to decide whether a footpath is feasible, and if allowed, whether it will be permissive, and whether it should be handed over to LCC. **(Action ES)**

7.Hedges in need of attention. Cllr Ward has reminded Mark Hullah and Andrew Ward that he would like to see the work promised by both carried out ASAP. Cllr Tatman has written that several hedges on the North side of Mill Lane are in need of attention. They hang over the footpath, causing difficulty for pedestrians. He asked Cllrs to consider whether the owners should be asked to cut their own hedges, whether, LCC should be asked to do the work and charge the owners, or whether the PC should pay to have the work done. Cllrs agreed that it was the responsibility of the home owners to get their hedges trimmed.

8. Village Pond Mark Hullah assisted Cllrs Stentiford, Bosomworth and Ward to remove weed from the pond the day before the meeting. Unfortunately it had been too short notice to get a skip and this will have to be arranged for a later date, but preferably during the next week.

9. GDPR – Latest Information. Cllr Sidle has suggested a disclaimer for Cllrs to use when writing on PC business. This made clear that the views expressed were not necessarily those of the Council. The Clerk said that this needed modification for her as she always wrote on behalf of the Council, and it was agreed that in her case this last sentence should be omitted. Cllr Sidle reported that the privacy notice now appears on the website and can be accessed from the home page.

10. Disused Railway Line Cllr Bosomworth reported that he is waiting for Matthew Robinson to confirm that he is happy with the notes he made of their meeting in December. **(Action MB)**

11. Land Ownership by Bardsey Parish Council. The Chairman said that he is still compiling a list for Cllr West. **(Action ES)**

12. Community Governor at Bardsey School. There was nothing further which the council could do.

13. Bus Service Meeting – Cllr Hoyland attended this meeting on 14th January. This covered reliability, punctuality, schedule, various bottlenecks, route and the high cost of providing extra buses at peak times. There were 2 representatives of First Bus who were very receptive to feedback which would be considered by the company at their next review, likely to be in May .Reliability and scheduling for people having to get to work for a specific time was much discussed. Sam Firth, Ward Cllr, is pursuing electronic information at bus stops, although it was pointed out that buses quoted as imminent can disappear and were quoted as ‘ghost buses’ .BH questioned why the 36 Leeds/ Harrogate bus throughout the day was every 10

minutes, when our routes were so limited. She also raised again the issue of branches hitting buses from Wellington Hill roundabout and several areas on Wetherby Road towards Oakwood. Sam Firth will try to follow this up, which it was agreed also happened on other routes. She considered it a useful meeting.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Park Field Cllr Ward reported that TCV have completed three quarters of the work on the path, which should be completed by the end of the month. They will be returning to carry out the work on the fence. Cllr Stephenson, who is Chairman of the Emmerdale Committee, informed Cllrs that the committee has approved the request from BPC for the funding of the 2 further footpaths, the second phase of the project. Cllrs expressed thanks to Cllr Stephenson and the Emmerdale Committee.

2. Playground Cllr West has sent Cllrs next year's rota for playground inspection. Cllr Hoyland suggested that it may not be known to all visiting the children's playground that the adult exercise equipment exists in Park Field. She suggested that there should be a notice of this in the playground, possibly on the railings. Cllrs agreed that this would be a good idea. **(Action AW)**

3. Web Site Nothing further to report, other than that items referred to under other headings are now included on the web site.

4. Sports Club Cllr Bosomworth reported that the committee are very concerned about any potential rent increase. He was sad to report the death of Jenny Bowles, scorer for the cricket club for over 35 years, membership secretary, and latterly an honorary member.

PLANNING .

New Applications.:-

(a) 18/07565 – 4 First Avenue – Exts, Re-surfacing of Driveway and New Rear Garden Terrace- *Object.*

(b) 19/07011 – 11 The Drive – A modification to the original consent with the addition of a spiral staircase – *No comment, conditional on no objection from neighbours.*

2. APPROVALS BY LCC:-

(a) 18/06780 – 57 The Drive.

3 REFUSALS BY LCC:-

(a) 18/06423 – The Close, Scarsdale Ridge – Variation of approval 18/02131 for Minor Material Amendment to allow fencing/ wall and removal of condition 5 (new fence)

(b) 18/06671 – Barn at Wheatfields, Tythe Barn Lane. Applicant has appealed so there are 2 appeals running on this property.

4. SAP Update – Cllr Ryan Stephenson had informed BPC that the Government Inspector assessing LCC's SAP has proposed a main modification in relation to Outer NE Leeds. Parlington should be deleted and no alternative housing provision allocated in its place .Now that LCC has u turned on its housing target, it therefore no longer needs to build on Green Belt. The decision still needs the Council Board's approval.

Cllr Sidle welcomed the news. He warned that individual developers may still attempt to have GB sites released, but to approve them LCC would have to contravene its own SHLAA determination, and it would also be difficult for the Inspectorate to approve them. He considers there is still need for vigilance, but Bardsey should now be in a much more secure position from any largescale development.

FINANCE

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| 1. Bills for payment: | £ |
| (a) Biffa Waste Disposal - | 56.88 |
| (b) J. Gallant – Salary and Expenses. | 2,003.89 |
| (c) D.J. Hemingway – Tarmac Repair at Callister Hall. | 390.00 |
| (d) HM Customs & Revenue – PAYE | 105.40 |

It was agreed to pay the bills listed above.

2. Budget and Setting of Precept. The Clerk had prepared and circulated a draft budget. The budget was approved with a few minor amendments. There was some discussion on whether the Precept should be increased and a vote on this was taken. Two Cllrs voted against any increase, and 3 in favour of a modest increase. It was therefore agreed to adopt the proposal from Cllr Sidle that the Precept request should be for £34,000.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW BUSINESS

1. Letter from Maureen Brewer re ONE Neighbourhood Watch Association – Maureen wrote that an Outer NE NHW Association has now been formed to cover the area from Wetherby to Barwick and Aberford and Alwoodley. Nominations are wanted from all these areas to form a committee .A further meeting will be held in the next few months and interested parties are invited to put their names forward to embeze@kalsom.co.uk. Cllr Sidle reported that this has been placed on the website.

2. E mail from Kieran Osborne re improvement to Broadband provision This e mail from Kieran explained that Bardsey School currently has a very slow broadband link. He would like BT to put in a new fibre optic cable to the school area. This could also be of benefit to about 100 private properties in the area. An agreement would have to be reached by the end of March 2019, as a grant is available until then He wonders whether BPC would contribute under its S106 provision. Cllr Ward suggested that this should be a community project, with a central location where residents could access the improved service. It was proposed that Kieran Osborne be invited to the next meeting to discuss the help required from BPC more fully. **(Action JG)**

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS AND OF APM - Wednesday 6th February and Wednesday 20th March, both commencing at 7pm. The APM, subject to agreement of the VHC, to be held on Thursday April 25th at 8pm.

MINOR MATTERS FOR DELEGATION TO CLERK/NEXT AGEN

1. Newsletter Update – Cllr Flockton said that residents welcome a list of Cllrs with their contact details included periodically in the Newsletter. These inserts would cost the Council

£50. She asked Cllrs for their views and all expressed agreement to the payment and to having their details published.

2. Possible visit to February Meeting from Norman Overfield – The Chairman reported that Norman would like to speak for 10 minutes at the next meeting on his work in the past as the BPC Trustee at the Sports Club. Cllrs agreed and arrangements would be made to hold the meeting in the main hall.

3. An anonymous letter regarding disposal of builders' rubbish from a garden in Margaret Avenue As this is an eyesore and also clearly visible from the A58 and from Grange Close, the writer asked BPC to take steps to get it removed. The Clerk agreed to write to LCC.
(Action JG)

Signed:

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