

BARDSEY CUM RIGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 5TH 2019

POLICE AND RESIDENTS FORUM Susan Broadwell had e mailed, reporting 2 burglaries residential, 1 theft non-specific, and 1 theft from a motor vehicle. She further reported that one juvenile male has been summoned to appear in court for Arson on The Drive.

The two residents from Grange Close expressed concern over the planning application for 20 Grange Close. Cllr Denby assured them that the Parish Council has objected and he has seen a number of other objections on the website.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS . None.

PRESENT Cllrs Stentiford, Sidle, Bosomworth, Ward, Denby, West, Flocton and Hoyland. Cllr Matthew Robinson also attended, and 2 residents from Grange Close.

APOLOGIES. Cllr Tatman.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15th MAY 2019 These were approved.,

MATTERS ARISING

1.Follow up to meeting with residents from The Drive. Cllr Robinson reported that he has spoken to one of the residents on The Drive and informed her of the current position. There does not seem to be any need for a further meeting at present.

2 SID devices for Bardsey. The Clerk reported that, having made several unsuccessful attempts to speak to Nick Borrás, she had written to Matthew Robinson seeking his help. Matthew had immediately written to Gary Bartlett, Head of Highways and to Nick Borrás. He too has received no reply but will continue to remind them. **(Action JG)**

3.Allotments. Jonathon Morton has confirmed that Michael Harrison has declined Plot 3, and has asked for 4-6 weeks to clear Plot 1, but the previous plot holder, Linda Reedman, wants the plot cleared within 1 week., not 4-6 as requested by Mr Harrison. Under normal circumstances Plot 3 would be advertised, but as BPC has expressed some interest in taking over the allotments, Jonathon Morton will discuss the situation with his line manager, Nigel Robinson. If Mr Robinson is agreeable the plot will be left vacant and not advertised at present.

Cllrs then discussed their attitude to taking over the allotments from LCC. Some considered that BPC should take full responsibility and regard them as a village asset. Others thought that they would be having to deal with constant aggravation. Others queried whether it would be possible to manage the allotments ,but leave the financial side to Leeds. No decision was reached. Cllr Hoyland agreed to check with LCC on details of the responsibilities the Council would be taking on by adopting the allotments. **(Action BH)**

4.Highways Update – Cllr Hoyland reported:-

- A58 – She had followed up complaints after recent surface dressing which was particularly problematic for cyclists. Matthew Turnbull said there had been 4 sweeps between 20-28 May and will return if he felt a further sweep necessary.
- Mill Lane/ Holme Farm Lane – She had reported that the signpost was pointing in the wrong direction.
- Woodacre Lane (by Keswick Lane) BH is still waiting for an answer as to whether it is possible to have a parking bay similar to that on Keswick Lane.
- Milestone – She is awaiting update of refurbishment from Jeremy Howel and /or David Williams.
- Hetchel Wood – The gate by the entrance from Cornforth's field to the wood is broken and will be reported to PROW.

5.Cornmill Ginnel. Cllr Sidle reported that the fence at the sub station is in poor condition and liable to collapse. It was agreed to report this to Northern Power Grid and ask them to repair it. **(Action JG)**

6.Leeds Country Way – re-routing at Wike Lane. The Chairman has taken no further action at present and accepts the opinion of walkers and riders consulted that the current route will do little to reduce danger. **(Action ES)**

7.Village Map. Mr Hemingway has been asked to provide an estimate for the work on the flagstones proposed by Norman Overfield.

8. Village Pond Some chicks have appeared on the pond. A resident had reported that the grass had been cut by a resident closer to the pond than the Council had agreed.

9.Welcome Pack. Cllr Flockton hopes to get this updated by September. **(Action LF)**

10.New Contact List. The Clerk has compiled and circulated the new list.

11. Disused Railway Line There was nothing to report.

12. Land Ownership by Bardsey Parish Council. Cllr West is seeking a large scale map of the village to help him identify the sites listed by the Chairman. Cllr Sidle thought he would be able to help him obtain one from PSMA. **(Action AW)**

13. Community Ultrafast Broadband – An e mail has been received from Kieran Osborne confirming that he has now signed a contract with Openreach, bringing full fibre broadband to 100 premises in Bardsey, including the school and the village hall. He thanked Cllr Sidle for all his help in obtaining this. Cllrs agreed that they would pay the Village Hall a larger annual grant to cover the running costs of the improved Broadband service, and that the VHC should manage the service.

14. Willan's Wood and Hedge on A58 Cllr Ward reported that he and Cllr Flockton have studied the condition of the wood and the hedge. TCV have provided a quotation of £8,300 to improve the wood, making a path through it, and including gates and a stile ,and work on the trees. Cllr Ward would seek to obtain a grant from the Emmerdale Committee to cover costs. No decision was taken at the meeting on whether to proceed. One problem the 2 Cllrs pointed out was the steep gradient on the site.

TCV had also looked at the hedge on the A58 originally planted by the Parish Council, running from the Ginnel to Church Lane. For £1000 from BPC they would lay this and re-plant where necessary, spreading the work over a 3 year period as part of a training course. The work could commence in November. Cllrs agreed to think the matter over.

The two Cllrs had noticed Japanese knotweed appearing once again in a garden on Cornmill Lane, backing on to the hedge on the A58. A small piece of it had spread to the A58 on LCC land. It was agreed to report this to the householder concerned and to LCC. **(Action JG)**

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Park Field There was nothing to report.

2. Playground There was nothing to report.

3. Web Site Cllr Sidle reported that he is receiving an increasing number of requests for links with other websites. He suggested refusing any commercial or unsavoury sites but accepting charities and local organisations. Cllrs agreed with this suggestion.

4. Sports Club Cllr Bosomworth reported that the Cricket section has got off to a good start and has managed to raise £2000 for St Gemma's Hospice. He is still trying to persuade a Biffa representative to meet him on site to agree on the most suitable location for the bins. **(Action MB)**

PLANNING

New Applications:-

(a). 19/02562 – 22 Bankfield – Exts. & Conversion of Garage to Habitable Rooms.- *Object* .

(b) 19/03124- Bardsey Surface Water Reservoir, Wike Lane – Conversion into detached dwelling. Cllr Denby explained that the applicant was Keyland Developments, a company owned by Yorkshire Water. It is a brownfield site, which outweighs Green Belt objections, provided it fits in with the topography, and is likely to be approved by LCC. The plan is for a large bungalow situated inside the existing reservoir, with limited visibility from Wike Lane. Cllr Denby fears that, if the likely approval is granted, someone else will suggest an alternative. Cllr Sidle suggested that a condition could be attached, whereby future permitted development rights will not be permitted.. Cllrs agreed to *make no objection but to request the suggested condition*.

2. APPROVALS BY LCC:-

(a) 19/02298 – 6 Bankfield – Ext.

3. APPEAL DECISIONS:-

(a) 18/05360 - Land adj. Laurel Bank, Linden Close – Refused..

4. Concern over access to Sheepcote Barn – In response to concerns from Roy Lunn about possible exits on to Blackmoor Lane for this development, Cllr Denby has confirmed that Brian Clink has permission to use the exit leading directly from the Barn although he has not yet got detailed consent about its construction, required before occupation. Cllr Denby informed Mr Lunn that the Parish Council will not put in any objection itself, but if anyone else objects (possibly citing parking issues), they will consider supporting them

5. Consultation re Site Allocation Site Plans from LCC – Cllr Sidle reported that he has studied this carefully and considers that there is no need for BPC to comment. LCC is

proposing some significant improvements but these are mainly technical and do not alter the proposed site allocations.

FINANCE

1. Bills for payment:

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| (a) Biffa Waste Disposal - | £ 82.36. |
| (b) Deepblue Digital – Web Hosting | 220.00. |

It was agreed to pay the bills listed above.

2. Annual Governance Statement. The Chairman read to Cllrs the list of questions required by the External Auditor concerning the proper procedures regarding financial management throughout the year. Cllrs confirmed that all matters raised had been complied with. The Chairman and Clerk then signed the document as a correct record.

3. Annual Statement of Accounts. The Clerk had completed this form, also required by the External Auditor, and the Internal Auditor had approved it. The Chairman read it to Cllrs and then he and the Clerk signed it as a correct record.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW BUSINESS

1. E mail from resident re A58 between Congreve Approach and Bank Top leading to discussion on a proposal for a 20mph speed limit.

The resident from the Congreve area of the village wished to complain about new speed limit signs along the A58 which would not even reach First Avenue and therefore have little effect on reducing traffic speed. She considers the 30 mph limit should apply throughout the village.

Cllr Hoyland had referred the matter to James Chadwick, LCC Traffic Management. He had replied, citing correspondence, dating from March 2018 with BPC, concerning a possible 20mph limit on a significant number of roads in the village. This had been considered briefly by BPC in June 2018, but a later e mail on the same matter had failed to reach the Council. Mr Chadwick said that comments on the proposed changes, received in the immediate future would be given due consideration before they proceeded to the next stage, but stressed that it might be difficult to accede to any requests at this late stage.

A long discussion followed at the meeting, with the problem of enforcement of a new 20 mph limit being a strong consideration. There was, however, general agreement for a 20mph limit to extend across all roads in Bardsey. Three votes were taken. The first vote was for the 3 main roads. The second was for other roads in Bardsey. The third was for the Congreves. The first 2 votes were passed, and the third, for the Congreves, was passed, with a casting vote from the chairman. On the second vote it was pointed out that the 3 main roads at 20mph would trap 90% of all other residential roads in a 30mph limit, which would have been a ridiculous situation. BPC therefore accepts the proposals from LCC for a 20mph speed limit on the roads listed.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday July 3rd.

MINOR MATTERS FOR DELEGATION TO CLERK/NEXT AGENDA.

1. East Keswick Neighbourhood Plan – This is now at the pre-submission consultation stage. Bardsey Parish Council is one of the official stakeholders and is invited to comment. The Clerk promised to circulate to all Cllrs and asked them to send their comments to her.

Signed:
BPC Mins. for June 2019

Date: