



BARDSEY CUM RIGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Bardsey Cum Rigton Parish Council
held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Commenced: 7.00pm

Concluded: 9.00pm

Present: Cllrs Bosomworth (Chairman) , Flockton, Hoyland, Jackson, Stentiford, Tatman, Ward, PCSO Broadbent and colleague.

Clerk: V. Forbes

2223/127 Introduction from the Chairman

Cllr Bosomworth chaired the meeting. The meeting opened and Cllr Bosomworth welcomed PCSO Broadbent and her colleague.

2223/128 Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

2223/129 To receive any apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Denby and Cllr Osborne. Reasons were approved.

2223/130 Declaration of Interests

There were no Declarations of Interest.

2223/131 To confirm the minutes of the full council meeting held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 as a true and accurate record.

Prior to the minutes being confirmed and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Hoyland requested further discussion on the X98/X99 bus route. Cllr Hoyland is concerned about the long term future of the current route and would like to ensure the buses still continue to the train station and Transdev continue to reference their own survey. Several councillors commented on recent journeys on the service and praised the quality and running to time.

2223/132 To receive an update on local policing issues from PCSO Broadbent.

PCSO Broadbent and her colleague, a wildlife officer, attended the meeting. She confirmed that the PCSOs are no longer attending individual Parish Council meetings and the purpose of the PACT meeting is to report to all the local Parish Councils at a single meeting. When asked why we are no longer supplied with precise information about local crime, the response was that it would be breaching data protection. PCSO Broadbent told the meeting to report all issues direct to 101 either by telephone or online via live chat. In an emergency dial 999. Cllr Stentiford asked about the cold callers that have been in Bardsey selling household supplies and she advised not to purchase items as that encourages them further. All charity collectors should be registered. Any wildlife crimes

such as poaching, badger baiting or illegal fishing also need to be reported to 101. PCSO concluded her report by saying that there were no crimes in Bardsey during February.

2223/133 Financial matters

- a) To approve the schedule of payments (Appendix 1) - **Approved**
- b) To approve the latest bank reconciliation and budget comparison (Appendix 2) The bank reconciliation was **approved** although the Cash Book and the Bank Balance did not balance. The Cash Book was £66.00 over.
- c) To approve the quotation from GGS Groundcare Ltd to remove old and install new benches in Park Field and to reposition 2 bins £398.00 - **Approved**

2223/134 To receive an update on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:

- a) Village consultation on future spending (KO)
The clerk suggested adding the Grant Application Form to a Grant Award Policy to be adopted at the next council meeting. MW to talk to the Park Lane Homes about the table tennis table.
- b) SIDS (MB)
The East Bound SID on Keswick Lane is still being repaired.
- c) Allotments (MB)
One allotment holder has agreed to the proposal of BPC taking over the management of the allotments. The remaining 2 holders have not yet replied to LCC's letter. LCC have agreed to repair the damaged gatepost. (Last gatepost as you pass the allotments from Woodacre Lane).
- d) Highways (BH)
 - A58 - Mill Lane-Rigton Bank – The Clerk has followed up the issues. LCC are unable to address verge creep but suggested sweeping and follow up through Community Payback Scheme and with regard to this advice has been sought from Chris Procter.
 - A58 – Damaged Bardsey sign was reported to LCC but no action taken and resident reported an insecure sign, both are being followed up.
 - A58 – Sunken drain by bus shelter was reported and addressed.
 - Church Lane. Smithy Lane - Blackmoor Lane, the narrowness of the path has been reported to Trishna Rycroft, Group Engineer – Highways Asset Management at LCC
 - LCC Highway barriers below Bingley Arms. Repairs to the fallen wall have been delayed but it is now agreed the brewery are to fund repairs.
 - CORNMILL LANE – Resident notified excess grit on carriageway left after re-surfacing had contributed to serious injury to a cyclist. Reported to Highways who dealt with it immediately.
 - FIRST AVENUE – Resident notified blue grit bin empty. Refilling blue grit bins is proving problematic and on this occasion BPC arranged with GGS to supply grit.
 - KESWICK LANE to EAST KESWICK – Dropped kerbs requested by wheelchair user has been pursued and advised by Luke Wood, LCC, would be implemented before end of Financial year. Some of the route is problematic and Luke Wood suggested Blacksmith's field as a possibility. Although at the time of visit feedback was positive unable to get a response to emails and phone calls.
 - KESWICK LANE (by bridge) – unstable carriageway drain reported to Eleanor Jordan, who referred it to Vicki Franks, LCC Highway Service Area Manager.
 - MILL LANE, WOODACRE LANE/ WIKE LANE – blocked and other issues with drains

- reported.
 - SPEAR FIR – informed potholes on carriageway, will be followed up.
- e) Possibility of bridleway/footpath on field bordering A58 (DD)
Nothing to report.
- f) Village Pond (MB)
One moorhen has been observed. A meeting to finalise the Memorial Board Installation will take place at the pond on 20th March 2023.
- g) PACT Meeting (DD)
The next PACT meeting is 16th March 2023
- h) Active Travel group (MB)
Nothing to report other than it is not possible to erect a mirror at the end of Gateon Lane.
- i) Road crossing on A58 near Mill Lane (BH)
An update has been requested from Chris Proctor at LCC.
- j) Tennis Club Lease (LF, MB, KO)
This is taking time to resolve. If the Tennis Club are happy with the latest draft lease then we are almost there although our solicitor has asked for the Tennis Club Title Deeds. It is believed that they are already in the ownership of our solicitor.

2223/135 To receive an update on the following standing agenda items and agree any necessary action:

- a) Park Field (MW)
The benches have been installed and some brambles have been taken back leaving the area much improved. Surface corrosion has been noted on exercise kit. Suggest inspection by I.P.I
- b) Playground (MW)
The recent inspection raised some issues with playground equipment. The cantilever swing bearings need replacing. There is difficulty finding firms who do these repairs, even with LCC help. Replacement costs are high. Action: replace bearings on the cantilever swing.
- c) Sports Club (MB)
The repairs following the burglary not yet complete. The internal doors (cost approx. £1800) are still not replaced. Social events are running every Friday evening. These include, on a rolling basis, bingo, darts and dominoes, quiz etc. There is a Bardsey Cricket Club dinner and dance at East Keswick Village Hall on the 25th March. Tickets are £40/person. The tickets are available behind the bar, from any member of BCC committee or via email (chris@wainmans.com)
- d) Bardsey Field (JJ)
Cllr Jackson met with EKWT recently. The main points of the meeting were:
 - Completion of land sale (Lot 2, almost 24 acres) expected to take place in about 3 weeks' time. (Some hold ups with minor boundary disputes/queries)
 - Why plot 2? Plot EKWT would be most likely to be successful with, plot with the best habitat, and is the area which is very much in the centre of the community.
 - The field is locally and regionally important as over 99% of these types of flower-rich pastures have been lost to intensive agricultural farming.

- Last summer over 30 species of nesting birds were recorded, over 20 species of butterfly recorded (including the only colony of Common Blue in the local area) and 185 plant species (recorded on the combined sites by a professional botanist).
- Bardsey Fields is one of the most important sites for carbon storage in the parish (lowland fen, wet grassland and unimproved pasture – can store as much if not more carbon underground than woodland).
- Roe deer breed here. Up to four are seen regularly.
- Bats were recorded in the summer using the site as a “corridor” between two adjacent valleys.

2223/136 To consider matters requested by councillors/Clerk and agree any necessary action:

- To receive the playground inspection report following inspection by I.P.I. on 23rd February 2023 and consider any necessary action.
This was dealt with under item 135 b
- To receive an update on plans to celebrate the Coronation in Bardsey.
BPC supported the idea of a Village Picnic. The Sports Ground is considered an ideal location due to its location and facilities. Cllr Bosomworth confirmed the Sports Ground could be available on Monday 8th May 2023. Cllr Flockton will speak to the WI who are favouring using the Glade by the church. It was agreed to form a working party for interested parties.
- To set the date for the Annual Parish Meeting.
This was agreed as Wednesday 19th April 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.
- To receive an update on Councillor nominations for forthcoming elections 4th May 2023.
Nomination papers will be checked by the returning officer at LCC between 20th and 24th March 2023. They must be hand delivered to LCC between 28th March and 4 April 2023. Cllr Stentiford agreed to deliver the nomination papers for councillors. The clerk will obtain the electoral roll to supply elector’s numbers.

2223/137 Planning matters

New Applications

23/01187	31 Congreve Way	Part single storey, part 2 storey side and rear extension. Object
23/00113	Rigton Valley Cottage, Wike Lane	Single storey extension. Object
23/01069	Lyncroft, Scarsdale Lane	Amendment to existing consent under ref 21/05435 to raise height of extension by approx. 350mm. Neutral
23/00825	The Ferns, Tythe Barn Lane	Removal of Condition 4 which prohibits permitted development rights. Object
22/08221	Rosehurst, Margaret Avenue	Garden room and decking. Further plans received. Object

Approvals:

22/08246 Wood Garth, Wood Lane
22/04272 Low Field House, 5 Keswick Court

2223/138 To consider correspondence received and agree any necessary action

At the Local Care Partnership’s meeting on 22nd February the major item was that a leg club is to be opened at the Town Hall in Wetherby. Legs will only be dressed by appointment in the first instance,

but hopefully a more 'drop in' type of service will become available. The intention is for clinical staff to be available to give advice, as well as dress wounds and tea and coffee will be available so that patients can network and provide mutual support. No start date was given.

2223/139 To adopt the following policies and procedures:

None

2223/140 To receive an update from Parish Councillors

The brewery will finance the repairs to the fallen wall outside the Bingley Arms.

2223/141 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

Cllr Bosomworth requested that the Local Care Partnership becomes a standing agenda item.

2223/142 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 19th April at 7 pm

This was confirmed as 8pm following the APM at 7.30pm

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Appendix 1 - Schedule of Payments

March 2023

Below is a list of payments to be approved:

Payee	Details	Amount
Kedel	4 x Recycled Bench with extended legs	972.00
Bradford Community Payroll	Payroll services	4.80
I.P.I	Playground inspection	114.00
HMRC	PAYE & NI (Feb)	180.31
NEST	Pension Contribution (Feb)	22.60
V A Forbes	Salary (Feb)	661.33
BIFFA Waste Disposal VH	Waste Collection at VH	77.15
GGs Groundcare Ltd	Install benches in concrete in Park Field	398.00
GGs Groundcare Ltd	Grounds Maint Jan-Mar, Bin emptying	1412.50
V A Forbes	Salary and HMRC (March)	TBC
NEST	Pension Contribution (March)	TBC
V A Forbes	Printer cartridge	21.70

Financial Report

Appendix 2 – Bank position

Bank Accounts

Date prepared: 12th March 2023

Balance as per bank statement at 12th March 2023

BANK STATEMENTS		
Community Account as at 12 th March 2023	£35,478.74	
Business Premium Account 30094013 as at 12 th March 2023	£2538.25	
Business Premium Account 10750816 as at 12 th March 2023	£15,458.01	
Total		£53,475.00
Unpresented payments from	£10.00	
Closing Balance as at 12 March 2023		£53,465.00
CASH BOOK		
Opening balance as at 1st April 2022	£60,131.10	
Add receipts (Precept £36435, Grants £644, DD Refund £36.19, interest £45.20, rent £765, vat £5735.85, CIL £5701.90, Sign repayment £250.00)	£49,613.14	
		109,744.24
Payments to date	£56,213.24	
Cash book closing balance as at 12 th March 2023		£53,531.00