

Minutes of a meeting of Barbon Parish Council held at Barbon Village Hall on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors Janatha Anstiss (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Charles Howarth and Neil Udale, two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Westmorland & Furness Councillor Hazel Hodgson arrived at 7.20pm. Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman, Councillor Roger Groves.

23/22 Public participation:

This took place following the reports brought by Councillor Hodgson (minute 23/27) and included discussion of various related topics.

23/23 Requests for Dispensations: None.

23/24 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

23/25 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2023, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

23/26 Co-option of new Councillor:

Chris Brown was unanimously co-opted to the Parish Council. She then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was welcomed to the Council.

23/27 Reports from Westmorland & Furness Councillor:

Councillor Hodgson updated the Council on a number of matters, including allotments, the 'Big Green weekend', available grants for various projects, environmental priorities, and electric vehicle charging.

23/28 Highways:

Councillor Howarth reported that over 100 markings had been made on the roads in the village, indicating where repairs are to be made.

The issue at Stone Dross (minute 23/12f refers) has been reported. The missing sign is to be replaced and consideration is being given to safety at this crossroads.

23/29 Finance:

a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

William H Hartley	£41.25	Maintenance
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Barbon Village Hall	£12.00	Hire of hall
T Flitcroft	£90.00	Payroll administration (annual payment)
HMRC	£303.20	PAYE

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

23/30 Planning:

The following application was considered and approval recommended:

S/04/20 Householder planning permission for a proposed two-storey side extension and detached outbuilding at Old Kiln Cottage, Barbon.

23/31 Speeding in the village:

As the new legislation is due to be in place later this week, making it easier for Councils to request a 20mph speed limit, it was resolved to register this Council's interest with Westmorland & Furness Council. The Ward Councillors, as well as Councillor Peter Thornton, Portfolio Holder, Helen Karasslan and Victoria Upton at Highways, will need to be copied into this request.

23/32 Correspondence:

- a. The Clerk said he had deposited some previous Council minutes with Cumbria Records Office in Kendal and had received a receipt for these.
- b. Councillor Brown offered to produce a newsletter for the Parish Council on a periodic basis; this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

23/33 Date of the next meeting:

Monday 11th December 2023 at 7pm at Barbon Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: