

Minutes of a meeting of Barbon Parish Council held at Barbon Village Hall on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors Charles Howarth (Chairman), Janatha Anstiss, Chris Brown and Neil Udale, Westmorland & Furness Councillor Hazel Hodgson, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Jacquie Huddleston.

**24/37 Public participation:**

'Dog notices' – it was observed that only one such notice is displayed in the village and that is a 'South Lakeland District Council' one. Councillor Hodgson agreed to obtain two further up to date notices, one to be placed close to the Village Hall and the other at Hodge Bridge. She also will enquire about obtaining two additional bins for general waste.

Discussion continued on the issue of dog fouling and to what extent this is a problem in Barbon. This will be reported on in the next Barbon Newsletter. And residents are encouraged to be diligent in cleaning up after their pets.

**24/38 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**24/39 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**24/40 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**24/41 Parish Plan/Resilience Plan:**

It was resolved to update the 2017 Emergency/Relience Plan, especially as regards the contact numbers and details. Councillor Huddleston will be asked if she is willing to undertake this task.

Discussion continued regarding the possible purchase of a generator for parish use in the event of an emergency such as Storm Arwen. Councillor Brown will ask the Village Hall committee if they are prepared to re-consider and allow the Council to house such equipment at the Village Hall.

It was agreed to conduct a simple survey in the parish, asking residents what they would expect from the Parish Council and what issues they feel are important, bearing in mind the Council does not have many duties in this respect or available funds. The Clerk will send Councillor Brown some details of what the 'powers' and 'duties' of Parish Councils are.

**24/42 Report from Westmorland & Furness Councillor:**

Councillor Hodgson took part in discussing most of the issues raised at this meeting and in addition she reported:

Westmorland & Furness Council will be contacting the Council about speeding issues in the village. As there is currently no 30mph speed limit, an application for a 20mph limit cannot be made at present. She had met with Highways last week and a 'traffic plan' will be prepared for Barbon; it is expected that a 'team' will come and visit the village in order to action this.

**24/43 Finance:**

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

William H Hartley	£64.35	Maintenance
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CALC	£60.00	Councillor training (2)
T Flitcroft	£90.00	Payroll administration – annual charge

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

c. Councillor Udale agreed to ask Craig Bradshaw to do some general maintenance, as before, in the village. This had been much appreciated by residents at the time.

**24/44 Planning:** None.

**24/45 Correspondence:** None.

**24/46 Date and place of the next meeting:**

***Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm at Barbon Village Hall.***

*The meeting closed at 8.30pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*