

Parish Council of Barton & Pooley Bridge
MINUTES of the MEETING held Monday 11th July 2022 at 7.00pm
Parkin Memorial Hall, Pooley Bridge

Present: Miles MacInnes, Chairman (MM), Mark Vause, Vice Chairman (MV), Justin Ray (JR), Colin Hindle (CH), and Clerk Jill Mackey

In attendance: Sandie Watson (SW).

A minute's silence was observed in memory of Cyril Wilson, former Parish Councillor and Vice Chairman, who has sadly passed away. Cyril contributed so much to our community and will be sadly missed.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Neil Hughes, Laura Harker, Councillor Sam Bunting (family reasons).
2. **Requests for dispensations:** none.
3. **Declaration of Interest:** none.
4. **Public Participation session:** (attention drawn to Data Protection Policy Notice): none.
5. **Minutes of last meeting held 17th May 2022 (AGM and Annual Parish Meeting)** were approved. Matters arising: none.
6. **Planning:**

Application No.	Location	Description	Response BPBPC	Decision LDNPA
2021-3222	Park Foot Caravan & Camping Park	Proposed toilet block with disabled facilities and three family rooms (re-submitted Design & Access Statement)	Support with recommendations	
2022-3029	Waterside Farm Campsite	Proposed Replacement Washroom, Toilet and Pot Wash Facility (resubmission of 7/2021/3172)	Support	Granted
2022—3039	Howfoot	Conversion of existing detached building to local needs dwelling	Support based on local occupancy clause	
2022-3046	Barton Church Farm	Erect a portal steel frame building over an existing cattle feeding yard, manure midden and slurry tank.	Support	Granted
2022-3068	Land northeast of Kirkbarrow Hall	Formation of a new access and parking/turning area and the construction of a building to house vending machines	Support	
2022-3078	Land to the side and back of Sunnyside Barn	Permanent Car Parking – retrospective	Support with recommendations	

- E2022/0018 LDNPA logged alleged unauthorised building – land behind Old Post Office (Secret Garden) – awaiting response.
- Environment Agency – possible breach of regulations re: raising garden level Eusemere Lodge – Clerk chased 6.7.22.but as yet no response.

7. County Council & Eden District Council Matters:

- EDC – District Heat Network system – awaiting report from Assistant Director Delivery, Laura Cadman. Clerk progressed again 6.7.22.
- EDC Inspiring Eden Work Programme – MM submitted Expression of Interest Form – many applications received.
- Parish Council boundary review – MM reported this was still ongoing but could be delayed by the County Council reorganisation.
- COMF CCC grant form to be completed when new bins have been installed and EDC invoiced for £1000 towards siting of bins.
- EDC Register of Interest form – Councillor Colin Hindle has completed form - Clerk to submit to EDC. **Action: Clerk**

8. Public Toilets

- ✓ Electricity : pricing received (negotiated by CCC with Npower):
 June 2021-March 2022 14.64p/pkwh standing charge 26.77p/day
 April 2022 30.83p/pkwh standing charge 29.88p/day
 Accounts awaited for June 2021 onwards....
- ✓ CCTV signage/new clear signage how toilets are funded – wording to be decided. SW to send wording of notice at Dufton toilets. **Action: SW**
- ✓ Cleaner hours - MV reported that Becky was using her judgement for when toilets were busy and alter her hours of work accordingly.
- ✓ Risk Assessment – a Risk Assessment needs to be carried out for the Parish Council and it will incorporate the public toilets – to be carried out by new Clerk/Councillors.
- ✓ Hand Sanitiser – to be installed Monday 18.7.22.

- ✓ Water account – monthly – to be paid in 14 days. Paul Mackey will do meter reading on request.

9. Finance:

• Receipts:

Received from	Description	£
Nayax	Toilet receipts for May 2022	846.89
NatWest	Reserve ac interest 29.4.22. & 31.5.22.	0.02

• Payments to approve:

Payee	Description	£
Mrs B K Heath	Toilet cleaning May 2022	553.47
Mrs B K Heath	Toilet cleaning June 2022	
WaterPlus	Toilets water account 1.5.22.-31.5.22.	104.25
Designworks	Website Domain 15.6.22.-14.6.23.	33.60
Joyce Robinson	Flowers/compost – public toilets planters	34.48
WaterPlus	Toilets water account June 2022	100.71
A P Mackey	Village warden duties April-June 2022 inc.	612.00
Barton Parochial Church Council	Donation in memory of Cyril Wilson	100.00

- BPBPC current account: current account balance after cheques cleared of £13417.43.
- It was decided to make a donation in memory of Cyril Wilson to St Michael's Church Barton of £100.
- JR is keeping a close eye on the toilet's finances.

10. NEW BRIDGE updates:

- **Parish Council land** – CCC are querying title and costs. Awaiting update from Burnetts Solicitors.
- **Damaged bench** not replaced yet. **Tarmac** flower border to be done with September/October works.
- **Planting in Dunmallard Car Park** – unsatisfactory – MM to follow up. **Action:MM**

11. Community Meeting – provisionally Friday 25.11.22. – to be advertised in September/October. **Action:Sept**

12. Village/parish updates:

- **Community Fund update:** date of next meeting to be decided asap.
- **Village Warden** – MV investigating CCTV signage. Account submitted for 3 months April-June inc. Village Warden to clean the downside bridge structure. Councillors thanked Paul for doing a great job all round.
- **Recycling centre** – tidy but awaiting credit from EDC – “due to circumstances outside our control we do not have the resources to progress the payments – when resources are available these payments will be a priority”
- **Garden Waste Skip** – EDC response Non-Statutory service/awaiting Govt of statutory guidance. Hall Committee happy to trial having the skip in the village hall car park. Clerk to contact St Paul's PCC to get their approval. Site to be assessed by EDC if suitable etc. **Action:Clerk**
- **SITU (Strategic Integrated Transport in Ullswater Valley)** – CH reported that the Open Road initiative may not now go ahead. SITU was a collaboration of Parish Councils in the valley, and is now an association of community members. Eamont Way – the LDNPA is applying for funding for paths/fencing, and the new Eamont Way (Penrith Railway Station to Pooley Bridge) will be advertised on the Ullswater Way leaflet. New signage and notice board (next to BPBPC notice boards near toilets) to be erected.
- **Defibrillators** – MV performing weekly checks of defibrillators.
- **Village bins** – MV reported that these will be installed in week commencing 18.7.22.
- **Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations – 2-5th June 2022** – The Beacon was lit on Heughscar (grateful thanks to the Coulston family) and approximately 200 people attended, in very inclement weather conditions! Approximately half the torches remain. The Big Lunch on Sunday was well attended and BPBPC thanked the Community Fund for funding some refreshments.
- **Parking in Village: Laura McClellan (CCC)** – more work than expected – programme date of October.
- **Clerk replacement:** Sandie Watson has been appointed and MM welcomed Sandie as an observer tonight. MV is to provide Sandie with a set of keys for the hall. Jill will get together the agenda for September meeting and Sandie will take over then. Jill/Sandie to get together before then to handover etc.
- **Tree Felling – Pooley Bridge Inn** – Paul Clavey, Forestry Commission, has done site assessment and awaiting response from Regulations Manager.
- **Flooding** – response from EA on current situation (matter raised at CLP meeting) email 30.5.22. A low embankment could reduce flooding in Finkle Street, but funding is required. EA continuing to look for opportunities to fund the scheme, which will need landowner permission.
- **Emergency Information Sheet** – to consider in absence of emergency plan (CALC email 14.6.22.) – MM to investigate and follow up. **Action:MM**
- **Penrith & District Red Squirrel Group Notice Board** – after site visit, it was decided that the space near the BPBPC notice boards should be left for the new Eamont Way notice board. Site for RS notice board to be investigated. **Action:All**
- **Registration of Defibrillators on The Circuit** – not to be done, as already registered with the Emergency Services.
- **FOUW Inspiring Eden fund**, permissive footpath costs. MM reported that he has applied for funding through BPBPC on behalf of FOUW.

- COP26 Community Fund – open for application (EDC) email 5.7.22. – no application made.

13. LDNPA matters:

- Waterfoot Car Park – ongoing.
- East Distinctive Area Parish Elections – BPBPC voted 5 votes for Colin Hindle. Election result: Alan Mackenzie (Bampton PC) 18 votes, Colin Hindle 10 votes. SW to contact Alan Mackenzie to invite him to our September meeting. **Action:SW**
- Vandalism wicket gate on Eusemere Drive. LDNPA to move small gate back in line with large gate to hopefully alleviate problem.

14. Notifications/correspondence:

- Zurich Insurance plc internal transfer to Zurich Insurance Company Ltd 1.1.23. – no change in policy/contacts/price etc.
- EALC AGM Microsoft Teams 7pm 14.7.22.

15. Dates of next PC meetings 2022: September 13th, November 8th.

The Chair and Councillors expressed grateful thanks to Jill, who has been our Clerk since October 2010. Jill has enjoyed her time as Clerk and wished the Councillors well in the future.

G Mackey
Clerk, Barton & Pooley Bridge Parish Council (BPBPC)