

**MINUTES OF THE BARNTON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY 8th AUGUST 2011**

PRESENT:- Mesdames: Vickers, Robinson, Wilson, Hughes & Ashdown.
Messrs: Schott & Harazny.

APOLOGIES:- Mesdames: Beech & Kirsopp
Messrs: Reading, Wills
Cllrs: Byram (CWaC) & Wright (CWaC),

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms M Sheward & Ms C Jones from Cheshire Community Action

MIN FC 263/8/11 - DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

Judith Hughes in relation to Item 8 (Barnton Memorial Hall)

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the need to notify him of any changes in interests within 28 days of said changes.

NOTED

MINUTE FC 264/8/11 – URGENT BUSINESS:

i). Traveller Sites:

The Clerk had circulated an email from Mr Walsh requesting support for his e-petition on the CWaC website. He advised that those Members interested should respond accordingly.
NOTED

ii). Jubilee Corner:

The Clerk advised that an officer from the Community Payback Scheme had visited the Site. She had offered assistance and had requested that he liaise with the new officer in charge, when he returns from leave, next week.

iii). Nursery Road Recreation Ground – Public Event:

The Clerk had been approached by a Mr Street from Northwich who was proposing to organize a "Rollerblading competition, using the facilities on Nursery Road Recreation Ground. The event would include Music, Bouncy Castle and Barbecue, for example. Members indicated their support for this proposal, subject to the Clerk examining the proposals in more detail including, not least, arrangements for Stewards, Insurances and Music Licenses

iv). Recreation Grounds – Proludic Representative Site Inspection:

Members' attention was drawn to this recent site inspection carried out by Paul Sherwood of Proludic, which high-lighted the good use being made of the Nursery Road Recreation Ground, compared to other recreation areas in the Village (including CWaC provision, opposite the old British Legion) and had recommended that a survey be undertaken to ascertain the reasons for this.

NOTED

MINUTE FC 265/8/11 – QUESTION TIME/OPEN SESSION:

No member of the public present

**MINUTE FC 266/8/11 – MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
18TH JULY 2011:**

APPROVED:

Proposed: Mrs C Wilson Seconded: Mr M Schott 4 For 0 Against 3 Abstentions

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MINUTE FC 267/8/11 – MATTERS ARISING:

BRITISH WATERWAYS: (MINUTE FC 247/7/11 (REFERS) Mrs Wilson drew attention to the Sport Relief programme for 2012 where the idea of walking the canal bank could be used in conjunction with a community maintenance effort. Local people and businesses might also be encouraged to sponsor participants.

NOTED

MINUTE FC 268/8/11 – CHESHIRE COMMUNITY ACTION:

Mesdames Sheward (Rural Officer) and Jones (Community Led Planner) were welcomed to the meeting. The role and work of Cheshire Community Action was explained. This included: Funding resource assistance, Networking, Events and a variety of support mechanisms in relation to such things as the Localism Bill and Parish / Neighbourhood Planning. A website was recommended (www.communities.gov.uk) for those wishing to examine the Plain English Guide to the Localism Bill.

She also stated that a Community Group Network was being formed, and that the Community Buildings Adviser was James Cartledge.

THANKS were expressed for their attendance, and for the information received.

MINUTE FC 269/8/11 – BARNTON MEMORIAL HALL:

(MINUTE: FC 248/7/11 REFERS).

The Clerk reported that he had attempted to arrange a meeting with the Trustees, but this had been postponed on account of the fact that a meeting of the Trustees takes place on 18 August. He had been given to understand that Mr Turnbull's letter was on that Agenda

NOTED.

MINUTE FC 270/8/11 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

V/10/00175/OUT: Demolition of former British Legion Building, Meadow Drive, Barnton.

Although not previously referred to the Parish Council for approval, the application had now been withdrawn

NOTED

MINUTE FC 271/8/11 – FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Balances, to date.

APPROVED

Proposed: Mrs A Robinson

Seconded: Mrs C Ashdown

Unanimous

MIN FC 272/8/11 – GUNNERS CLOUGH WOODLANDS:

MINUTE FC 257/7/11 REFERS. The Clerk reported that:

- i). the application to register the wood with the Forestry Commission had now been submitted
- ii). he was in communication with Scottish Power with regard to the planned tree-felling programme, and would liaise with the Community Payback scheme and/or the Prince's Trust, with regard to any further cutting up of logs which may be necessary, thereafter.
- iii) further information on this woodland project will form part of the proposed website re-vamp.



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MIN FC 273/8/11 – BARNTON PAVILION:

Mrs Robinson reported that a group visit was being made to Ashton Hayes village, later in the month.

DEFER

MIN FC 274/8/11 – FORMER CO-OP BUILDING, LYDYETT LANE, BARNTON:

MINUTE FC 260/7/11 REFERS). The Clerk reported that he had held a further telephone conversation with the Landlord, but no progress had been made on reducing the rent to an affordable level for the parish council. He advised Councillors that he had now exhausted all possibilities for reaching an agreement with the landlord on renting this building for parish council use.

NOTED.

MIN FC 275/8/11 – BARNTON PARISH COUNCIL – VACANCY:

The Clerk reported that no applications had been received.

NOTED

MIN FC 276/8/11 – POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER:

No report presented on account of PCSO Wiggins being on Leave.

NOTED

MIN FC 277/8/11 – BARNTON PARISH COUNCIL – FUTURE MEETINGS:

AGREED that future meetings of the Parish Council be arranged at 7.00pm on the following dates

Mondays: 12th September

3rd October

24th October

14th November

5th December

AGREED:

Proposed: Mrs C Ashdown

Seconded Mrs C Wilson

Unanimous