

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD on WEDNESDAY 07 February 2024 at 19:00

Councillor K Vickers (Chairman)

Councillors A Chapman, N Jacques, N Pinchbeck, C Thornton, B Troop, N Turner & P Vickers Also in attendance T Davis (Town Clerk) and 1 members of the public.

Public Participation

Anglian Water Treatment Officers attending via Teams Link at 6pm.

A presentation was given that covered

Storm Overflows

Combined sewer systems

Heavy Rainfall

An explanation was conveyed to members of the meeting with regards to the process of Storm Overflows in Barton. There are 2 storm overflows in Barton one is Barton Fleetgate the other is on the bank at Waters Edge County Park. All data and locations of Storm Overflows are published on the Anglian Water website. A Storm Overflow Action Plan has been submitted to DEFRA. Planned investment for Barton upon Humber is £1.1 Million to WRC to increase capacity of storm water storage. This will be completed by March 2028. Work is ongoing to decrease blockages which are avoidable.

Question – Long Term investment for improved storm water storage after a heavy rainfall. Will this be released into the Humber or returned to the water recycling process?

Answer – Rain water will dilute any sewage. Environment Agency will be reviewing the ecological status of the Humber which is currently categorised as moderate.

Public perception of Storm Overflows is unacceptable.

Question – Rainwater run off from the roads will be polluted and will this add to the pollution of the Humber?

Answer – Highways and drains on the highways are the responsibility of the Highways Authority and Anglian Water are working with them to reduce the pollution from the roads run off.

Staff are working hard on the Fleetgate Storm Overflow to remove the unflushable debris and the problem is high priority with increased activity on the inlet screens and increased mechanical servicing.

Question – Is there more work currently being carried out on urban sustainable drainage systems and water butts being offered to households?

Answer – Anglian Water are looking at innovating ways and there are plans for 2025 onwards to meet more sustainable targets particularly in new growth areas.

Question – Will the new tanks and infrastructure make a big difference to the Consumer?

Answer – The new tanks will lessen the back up.

Tofts Road really has a problem with surface water and Anglian Water will look into the issues there. To share the Anglian Water Social Media Campaign.

287. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors C Patterson (Personal), Cllr L Bennet (Personal), Cllr A Watson (Personal)

288. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

289. **To receive, approve and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 3rd January 2024****AGREED Proposed Cllr A Chapman, Seconded Cllr C Thornton**

That the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 3rd January 2024 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record.

Unanimous

290. **To approve as a correct record minutes/notes of the following meetings of the Council**(a) **Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 8th January 2024****AGREED Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**

That the previously circulated minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 8th January 2024 be received, approved and confirmed by the Planning Committee members present at this meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

Unanimous

(b) **Minutes of The Community Committee Meeting held on 8th January 2024****AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck**

That the previously circulated minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 8th January 2024 be received, approved and confirmed by the Community Committee members present at this meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Community Committee.

Unanimous

(c) **Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 29th January 2024****AGREED Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**

That the previously circulated minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 29th January 2024 be received, approved and confirmed by the Planning Committee members present at this meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

Unanimous

(d) **Notes of the Emergency Sub-Committee Meeting held on 29th January 2024**

That these minutes be approved at the Full Council meeting on the 6th March 2024

291. **Correspondence**

- 1) Chief Executives Bulletin (1) (2) (3)
- 2) NALC Newsletter (1) (2) (3) (4)
- 3) NALC Events
- 4) CPRE Newsletter January 2024
- 5) Waters Edge Visitors Centre Occasional Market Consent
- 6) Barton NAT Minutes – 3rd October 2023
- 7) Barton Crime Stats 01 Dec 2022 – 01 Dec 2023
- 8) Barton ASB Stats 01 Dec 2022 – 01 Dec 2023
- 9) Roadwork Alert from one.network
- 10) Residents Email (1) (2) (3)
- 11) Local Councils Update Jan/Feb 2024 (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

In Addition letter from Adept Law inviting representatives of the Town Council to a Barton Business Forum Meeting on Monday 26th February at 12 Noon.

Letter received from MP Mr Martin Vickers with an update on Dentistry Services and additional funding to be implemented nationally.

Cllr Pinchbeck requested it be included in the Bartonian article that the Town Council requested an update about GP Services and Dentistry services.

Town Clerk to thank residents who have written into the council regarding the Relief Road proposals with additional comments that there will be further information available once the consultants have finalised their report.

292. **To consider reports from Barton Representatives serving on North Lincolnshire Council**(a) **Cllr P Vickers**

Interchange ground work is ongoing.

Votes for the PCC Funding for the Barton Youth Hub are live and 150 votes are required to receive the funding.

Have had a site visit to the Humber Viewing area to submit an application for Green Flag Status. Pavement work is ongoing.

Business Forum is planned and a meeting will be held on the Monday 26th February 2024.

Cllr Pinchbeck asked if there was any news on the issues with noise at the Wren Lorry Park. This is with the Planning and Environment Team who are working on the details

Cllr Troop – has noted that there is work on Bowmandale and it is hoped that the light that is out will be repaired during this work.

There has been concerns about the issues of incorrect information on the domestic waste calendar with full bins not being emptied due to an error on the calendar. The bins also get blown over and North Lincolnshire Council are looking to provide new more sturdy bins. This has been an issue for the Barton Baggers who have had a lot more litter to pick up.

(b) **Cllr C Patterson**

No Report due to apologies for not being able to attend the meeting.

(c) **Cllr K Vickers**

Planning Applications for 15 Market Place and Tysons Close have been approved.

293. **To consider reports from Members appointed to outside bodies**

Cllr C Thornton – Sad to hear the Chairman of the BCCRP has passed away.

294. (a) **Accounts for Payment and up to date Bank Reconciliation**

Accounts were noted as have had prior approval.

Accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £22,606.88 (A/cs 287 to 322).

The balanced bank reconciliation sheets are now prepared for Finance & General Purposes.

295. **Bank Signatories – to elect two new members to the Council Bank Accounts**

AGREED Proposed Cllr K Vickers, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

It was agreed for Councillors N Pinchbeck and N Jacques to be signatories on the Council Bank Accounts.

Unanimous

296. **To consider nominations of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2024/2025 – Annual Town Council Meeting Wednesday 1st May 2024**

AGREED Proposed Cllr K Vickers, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck

Cllr N Jacques to be nominated for the Mayor 2024/25 at 1st May 2024 ATCM.

Unanimous

AGREED Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr P Vickers

Cllr B Troop to be nominated for the Deputy Mayor 2024/25 at 1st May 2024 ATCM.

Unanimous

297. **Approval of schedule of meetings 2024-2025**

Cllr N Jacques expressed his concerns that Committee meetings prior to Full Council will not be long enough.

It was also agreed that all Working Groups to be either all in person or all Teams as there is not the technology available to hear properly during Hybrid meetings.

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr K Vickers

To accept the recommended Schedule of Meetings 2024/25 with the amendment that all Full Council meetings commence at 7pm and the meeting in July to be Wednesday 10th July 2024 and incorporate a save the date for August meetings and only schedule if required.

Unanimous

To note a Finance & General Purposes Committee on the Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 6pm and the Annual Town Council meeting is Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 7pm

298. **Barton-upon-Humber Town Council agrees to elect a member on the local Plastic Free Barton steering group**

Defer to March Full Council.

299. **Barton-upon-Humber town council agrees to support all Plastic Free Communities initiatives in its area**

Defer to March Full Council.

300. **Barton-upon-Humber town council pledges to act by example and remove single-use plastic items from its premises and operations**

Defer to March Full Council.

301. **School Council update**

Town Clerk to chase the Primary Schools for their involvement and once the information is received the elected members can meet to decide the best way forward for the group.

302. **Road Surfaces in Barton Upon Humber**

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

Town Clerk to write to Highways expressing concerns about the state of the road surfaces and to enquire about plans for Brigg Road, Bowmandale and Tofts Road.

Unanimous

303. **Policy Approval**

- a) **Health and Safety**
- b) **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**
- c) **Flag Flying**

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck

Agreed Health and Safety and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. Flag Flying to be amended to say may be flown when required.

Unanimous

304. **Update on Assembly Rooms**

Windows repair and replace is now in the planning system and the outcome will be know by the end of February.

Feasibility Study is going well. To contact the consultants for a completion date.

To set up a date with the Consultants and the Assembly Room Working Group to identity S106 projects that meet the tests and to be forwarded to the S106 Officer at North Lincolnshire Council.

305. **To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972 for the following confidential items:**

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr P Vickers
To enter into closed session.
Unanimous

306. **Personnel Committee Update**

Admin Assistant vacancy is now advertised and applications are coming in.
Interviews will be Wednesday 21st February 2024.

307. **Handyperson Recruitment**

AGREED Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr B Troop
F&GP to review funding for recruitment and when suitable funding is
in place to progress to recruitment
Unanimous

Meeting closed at 19.52

..... Chairman
7th February 2024