

**BARTON – UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES of a COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING held  
In the Assembly Rooms on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 18:15**

**Present:** Councillor B Troop (Chairman)  
Councillors N Jacques, C Patterson & N Pinchbeck

**Also Present:** C Clark (Deputy Clerk)

259. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors A Chapman & A Watson.

260. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr B Troop - Grant Applications for Barton Carnival and Barrow & Goxhill Scout Group  
– Personal Interest

261. **To note the approved minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Noted they were approved at 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Full Council meeting.

Councillor N Pinchbeck Chaired the Grant Applications

262. **Grant Applications**

a) **Barton Carnival**

**Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr C Patterson**  
Granted £2500.00 from 2025/2026 Budget  
**Unanimous**

b) **Goxhill & Barrow Scout Group**

**Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr C Patterson**  
Members were interested in funding the request but asked how many Barton children attend and clarification on excess funds in the current account. Answers to be emailed to Community Committee members, if happy with response full amount of £1908.80 to be granted from 2025/2026 Budget.  
**Unanimous**

Councillor B Troop took back Chairing the rest of the meeting.

263. **Market Update**

Meeting held between market contractor, handyperson and office to discuss setting up/taking down town council gazebos due to their wear and tear, all recommendations agreed.

Members discussed request from trader wanting to sell alcohol at all markets for this year if town council would get a premise licence. To discuss further with trader cost implications on the town council and also check with NLC what we need in place before any decision is made.

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**

Purchase large tarpaulin to use for fold up gazebo sides to save getting them as dirty and wet. Cost of commercial washing machine for council office to clean gazebo sides to be confirmed after comparison cost of dry cleaning. Councillor C Patterson will chase up Barton market being advertised by North Lincolnshire Council when they advertise Scunthorpe, Brigg and Ashby markets.

264. **Events**a) **Remembrance Parade 2024 Review**

Noted reading names of the fallen at war memorial rather than church as agreed at 25 November 2024 meeting. Quotes needed to have walkie talkies before the first outdoor event. Additional road closure signs needed – warning of “Road Closed ahead” on Meadow Drive and “No through road to Barrow on Humber” at top of Ferriby Road.

b) **Christmas Festival 2024 Review**

Well attended, members felt it was very successful, one of the best Festivals. All comments in the feedback regarding positioning of traders, road closure/event signage, not having refreshments near town businesses selling the same etc were noted for moving forward in 2025. The tractor run was very well received. The new Christmas lights switch on button was a great addition. R & J Leisure invoice of £480 to be paid for portaloos and barrier hire. It was agreed to look at any ex-hire Christmas lighting features, also getting lights to fill gap from Junction Square to Coach & Horses building. Check with contractor for bunting being installed for VE & VJ day when Christmas lights come down.

c) **VE-VJ Day 2025**

VE Day tea party to be held on Thursday 8 May 2025 in The Assembly Rooms and VJ Day tea party to be held on Thursday 14 August 2025 in The Assembly Rooms. Prices received for refreshments were considered and music for the event. Town Council grants limit also discussed.

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck**

Refreshments at £5 per head + £95 for crockery etc from The Ropewalk be accepted. Background music to be supplied by Councillor N Pinchbeck. Town Council grants

will be available up to £100 for any local groups holding an event.

**Unanimous**

**d) Picnic in the Park 2025**

Event to be held on Sunday 3 August 2025 in Baysgarth Park. It was noted volunteers need dedicated jobs, extra help needed at beginning and end of event to put up/take down gazebos and clear up the site. Mark Nettleton has offer use of his van to move gazebos, we need to supply a driver who must be over 25. Members considered the entertainment suggestions and would like prices from Infl8 for a package including staffing the attractions, pop-up beach too expensive, others to be considered further once firm quotes received with attractions staffed by them not town council.

Facepainting, we need ask for suggestions what would make it quicker, maybe a ticket system or simplified design before anything booked.

**e) Christmas Festival 2025**

Event to be held on Saturday 29 November 2025, Christmas lights switch on time same as for 2024. Members considered the various street entertainment supplied and would like prices for the reindeer figures, giant Father Christmas and Will Frow stilt walker, not the lion and leave the grinch for this time. Having the tractor run on the same day again would be great, but town council only to advertise event, not get involved with the organising.

Details of all above events to be sent for inclusion in the Barton Events leaflet 2025 before the deadline date on 7 February 2025. The Viking Way café to be asked to send details of VE & VJ Day beacon lighting.

**265. To consider the future of Barton Events**

Councillor B Troop explained community groups in Barton such as Lions, Rotary and Carnival Groups and all struggling for members which could see Barton events disappearing. He suggested forming a Working Group with representatives from these groups to all work together on events in the town. Events still organised individually but share knowledge and volunteers. The groups should be contacted if they are interested.

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**

Barton Lions, Barton Rotary, Barton Bike Night, Barton Carnival, The Ropewalk and Barton Volunteers all be contacted if interested in forming an Events Working Group to gauge interest.

**Unanimous**

**266. Bartonian**

Members were advised the magazine would make a loss this year 2024/2025 due to lower number of advertisers and advertisers taking out smaller ads. It was noted the magazine made a profit in 2023/24 which went into general reserves.

267. **Fees & Charges 2025-2026**

Members considered fees and charges for Barton Market and The Bartonian for 2025-2026, along with continuing the 6 adverts for the price of 5 in The Bartonian from May 2025 to March 2026. It was noted this does bring in advertisers who advertise all year who would not do this without this offer.

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**

Fees and charges for Barton Market and The Bartonian advertising to remain the same for 2025/2026. The 6 advert for the price of 5 in The Bartonian to remain from May 2025 to March 2026.

**Unanimous**

Meeting closed at 7.40pm

..... Chairman Cllr B Troop      27<sup>th</sup> January 2025