

# Barton in Fabis Parish Council



## Minute Book 2013

## **Barton in Fabis Parish Council**

Minutes of the extraordinary Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 7:30 p.m.** in Barton Parish Church

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles, Lynda Dransfield & Allan Kerr

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Mrs Susan Davies.

### **740. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Clerk confirmed he had spoken to the Secretary of the Village Hall committee and outlined the Parish Council's commitment to a defibrillator depending upon volunteers coming forward to run the scheme. It was noted that Rushcliffe BC had a capital grant scheme and that funding might be available.

It was noted that E.ON had awarded a grant to improve the red phone box.

### **741. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

None were given

### **742. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning application 12/02039/FUL for a single storey extension to 5 Little Lunnon; after considerable discussion it was proposed and agreed to object to this application on the grounds of over-development of the site and construction forward of the building line.

### **743. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

It was noted that as part of the A453 road works it was hoped traffic lights could be installed at the junction of Manor Road and the A453; a 40 mph limit was to be introduced along the section of road from the motorway to Clifton and then 30 mph.

It was noted that there had been some damage to the verges on New Road, possibly caused by Whyte's Recycling and the Chairman was asked to investigate and talk to landowners if appropriate.

East Midlands in Bloom; the village had been nominated to represent the East Midlands in the national competition in the small village category

Flooding in the village had been relatively limited but had impacted on some residents who had approached the Parish Council for help. The Environment Agency had been contacted but it was considered best to let nature take its course.

### **744. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 7.30 in the Village Hall

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Minutes of the extraordinary Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2013 at 7:30 p.m.** in Barton Parish Church

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles, Mrs Susan Davies, Mrs Lynda Dransfield & Allan Kerr

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

#### **745. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### **746. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

Cllr Coles declared a personal interest in item 7, Planning Applications and it was therefore proposed and agreed to consider this item at the end of the meeting.

The Clerk tabled a copy of the Code of Conduct, previously considered by the Council and it was proposed and agreed that this should be adopted.

The clerk informed Members that a request had been received from Rushcliffe BC for all Members to submit their member's Interests form before the end of the month.

#### **747. DISTRICT REPORT**

In the absence of Cllr Vennett-Smith there was none.

#### **748. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a recent Crime & Disorder meeting which he had attended with Cllr Dransfield and which had proved to be very useful, police priorities for the next quarter were agreed. It was agreed the Council should attend all future meetings when possible. Notes from the meeting had been circulated by the clerk.

It was noted that there had been an increase in the number of thefts of household fuel.

Flooding & Emergency Plan; it was agreed the need for such a plan should be considered. Cllr. Dransfield agreed to continue as Flood Warden with Cllr. Coles as deputy. Issues such as access to the Village Hall, emergency parking areas and a directory of telephone numbers were considered. Cllr Davies agreed to raise these items at a future Village Hall Committee meeting.

Road salting; some teething problems had been reported but it was hoped these could be settled.

#### **749. UPDATE ON MEMBER'S SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

(a) Best kept village competition; we would again be entering this competition.

(b) Nottinghamshire in Bloom: following on from a very successful year the village had been selected to represent the East Midlands in the national competition. Cllr Davies would be attending a meeting in Harrogate to discuss.

The clerk reported that he had talked to a local contractor about grass cutting but only at the junctions with the A453 at New Road and Manor Road. It was proposed and agreed to obtain a firm quote for a maximum of 5 cuts per year to maximise sight lines at £100 per cut to be reviewed annually as it was unlikely cutting would be necessary when the A453 was completed.

- (c) Bus shelter / lighting; nothing to report except that the clerk agreed to investigate solar lighting options.
- (d) East Midlands Airport: nothing to report
- (e) Village design statement; it was considered necessary to organise a survey
- (f) Localism Bill; it was noted that parishes with an approved Neighbourhood Plan would be eligible to receive 25% of any Community Investment Levy (CIL) as a result of planning consents.
- (g) Drains / street furniture; the bench seat and immediate area opposite the Village Hall was to be renovated, costs being met by a grant.
- (h) Footpaths; the Chairman agreed to talk to the County about rerouting the footpath through the old pig farm.
- (i) A453 / NET; tree planting schemes had yet to be considered
- (j) Finance; the clerk reported that he would be attending a meeting at Rushcliffe BC on the 28<sup>th</sup> January which would be looking at the impact of changes to the Council Tax
- (k) Liaison (local); nothing to report
- (l) Liaison (landowner); the Chairman reported that with the clerk he had inspected the damage to the grass verge on New Road but from the various tyre marks it was difficult to conclude who was responsible.
- (m) Local Services; nothing to report
- (n) Neighbourhood Watch/Crime; an email circulation list was being developed.
- (o) Planning – Housing; considered under a later item
- (p) Planning; it was noted that the recently erected fence at the junction of Manor Road and New Road appeared to be in the wrong position and this would be investigated.
- (q) Red phone box; nothing to report
- (r) Litter; it would be helpful if the gateway on New Road could be closed to stop traffic parking
- (s) Welcome Pack; nothing to report
- (t) Flooding;

**750. CORE STRATEGY UPDATE**

The Clerk and Cllr Dransfield would be attending the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January in West Bridgford 2.00 pm together with Ken Mafham. Ken would be approached to see if an informal meeting was necessary before the 31<sup>st</sup>.

**751. A453 UPDATE**

No date yet agreed for an open meeting with the Highways Agency.

No firm data had yet been given for the closure of Barton Lane and discussions were still taking place between the Highways Agency and the contractors on the provision of traffic lights on the junction of Manor Road and the A453.

The tree-planting scheme had not been finalised but it was understood there would also be some banking to reduce noise

**752. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 5 cheques approved and signed totalling £675.63.

The Budget for 2013-14 was approved and it was proposed and agreed that the shortfall between the budget and precept be satisfied by drawing on reserves.

It was proposed and agreed to maintain the precept for 2013-2014 at the same level as 2012-13

It was proposed and agreed that the local Best Kept Village organisers and the Nottingham in Bloom organisers could deposit grants and awards received in the Parish Council bank account.

**753. CLERK'S BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was agreed to hold the Annual Meeting of the Parish with the Village Hall AGM at a date to be agreed.

**754. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

Rushcliffe Parish Forum, Thursday 7th February

County Council Lengthsman scheme, it was proposed and agreed not to change the Parish Council's policy and not to participate

Neighbourhood Plan, the Parish Council agreed to organise a survey.

County Council adopted Statement of Community Involvement

Charity advertising in the Newsletter, it was proposed and agreed to limit the Parish Council Newsletter to items directly related to the Village and immediate area.

The clerk was given authority to upgrade the hosting terms and conditions with Virtual Names Ltd as and when required in order to post images on the web site.

Cllr. Coles left the meeting at 9:55 pm

**755. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

A planning application by Mrs Jane Blatchford for a double garage and conservatory to the front of 16 Brown Lane was considered; it was proposed and agreed to object to the garage but no objections to the conservatory.

**756. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2013

## **Barton in Fabis Parish Council**

Minutes of the extraordinary Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2013** at 7:00 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles, Mrs Susan Davies, Mrs Lynda Dransfield & Allan Kerr

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

### **757. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Vennett-Smith

### **758. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

This item was deferred until the next meeting

### **759. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

Cllr Coles declared a personal interest in the planning application for 16 Brown Lane and took no part in the discussion

### **760. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- (a) To consider an application by Mr Stuart Whalley for an extension of time for implementation of a previously consented planning application to demolish and rebuild the property known as Rose Cottage. The Parish Council has no objections.
- (b) To consider a planning application by Noreen Oliver for the retention of a picket fence at Manor Cottage, 1 Manor Road. The Parish Council objects on the grounds that: there are no longer any children living in the property as stated in the original application; inconvenience for pedestrians; loss of historic street pattern; fence too high and uncertain boundary.

Cllr Coles left the meeting at 8:05 pm

- (c) To consider a revised planning application by Mrs Jane Blatchford for a double garage and conservatory to the front of 16 Brown Lane. The Parish Council sees no significant changes in the revised application compared to the original application and while not objecting to the conservatory objects to the double garage for the following reasons: no flood risk assessment; development would dominate nearby buildings and shows poor relationship to these buildings and would be visually damaging and not conforming to GP2(d).

### **761. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed as Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2013

## Barton in Fabis Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2013** at 7:30 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Julian Coles, Mrs Susan Davies, Mrs Lynda Dransfield & Allan Kerr (Vice Chairman)

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

### **762. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison; Cllr Vennett-Smith also sent apologies

### **763. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman of the meeting

### **764. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

None were given

### **765. DISTRICT REPORT**

There was none

### **766. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

There was none

### **767. MEMBER'S SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

(a) Best kept village competition; the village was looking good and various projects were underway. A grant of £200 had been received from Cllr Sykes. The church path and gates would be attended to subject to grant availability.

(b) Nottinghamshire in Bloom: meetings had been attended in Harrogate and locally in Loughborough ahead of the competition start with emphasis on how to get people involved. The theme this year is edible planting

A meeting had been held on site with representative from Whytes Recycling to discuss damage to the grass verges.

(c) Bus Shelter/Street Lighting; the shelter would be painted; residents continued to ask for improvement to street lighting on Rectory Place but there appeared to be little that could be done without the cooperation of the County Council. Solar lighting had been investigated but was not appropriate.

(d) East Midlands Airport: nothing to report

(e) Village design statement; nothing to report

Cllr Davies arrived at 7.45 pm

(f) Localism Bill; nothing to report

(g) Drains / street furniture; nothing to report

(h) Footpaths; nothing to report.

(i) A453 / NET; dates for a village meeting had been put forward to the Highways Agency and a response was awaited.

(j) Finance; nothing to report

(k) Liaison (local); nothing to report

- (l) Liaison (landowner); nothing to report.
- (m) Local Services; nothing to report
- (n) Neighbourhood Watch/Crime; nothing to report.
- (o) Planning; Rushcliffe BC had notified the council that they were revising their planning process and asking clerks to post additional notices showing a location map for applications with a brief description.
- (q) Red phone box; nothing to report
- (r) Litter; a litter pick over the weekend was planned for late March.
- (s) Welcome Pack; nothing to report
- (t) Flooding; nothing to report
- (u) Defibrillator; volunteers had come forward to help with the scheme and it was therefore proposed and agreed to proceed with the purchase and installation of a defibrillator and training.

**768. CORE STRATEGY UPDATE**

It was noted that Broxtowe BC had published their Aligned Core Strategy

Following the public meeting in January Rushcliffe BC's Core Strategy had been withdrawn while discussions took place with the Planning Inspector to consider the soundness of the Strategy. The Inspector has asked for an explanation of the rational for housing numbers proposed and why a review of the greenbelt has not been undertaken.

The Parish Council still awaited a response on student numbers; it was noted that there had been a huge increase between 2002 and 2011 but numbers were now reducing.

A review of expenditure was to be undertaken and accounts balanced between Gotham PC and Thrumpton Parish Meeting.

**769. FINANCE**

The Financial Statement was approved & 6 Cheques signed totalling £714.81.

It was proposed and agreed to fund medals for the junior awards in the annual flower and vegetable show.

**770. CLERK'S BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All members expressed a wish to attend the Rushcliffe BC forum

**771. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

The letter with questionnaire from Rushcliffe BC was discussed and it was agreed Cllr Coles should respond after circulating a draft response to Members for approval.

Date of next meeting to be confirmed Thursday 7th May 2013

The meeting ended at 9.05 pm



## **Barton in Fabis Parish Council**

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2013** at 7:30 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles, Mrs Susan Davies, Mrs Lynda Dransfield & Allan Kerr (Vice Chairman)

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

### **772. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were none

### **773. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AND MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

Cllr Coles reported that the Rushcliffe BC questionnaire had been completed and returned.

A successful meeting had been held with Nottinghamshire CC Highways and a schedule of works agreed for the village roads; it was hoped the village roads would be resurfaced next year.

Cllr Davies joined the meeting at 7:45 pm

### **774. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

Cllr Coles declared an interest in the planning application 13/00032/FUL and it was proposed and agreed to amend the order of the agenda and consider this application last.

There were no other declarations.

### **775. CORE STRATEGY UPDATE**

Broxtowe BC had delayed their Core Strategy in order to consider the implications of HS2.

The Parish Council had been advised of a technical meeting called by the Inspector and Ken Mafham had been informed with a view to attending on the Council's behalf if appropriate.

### **776. A453 UPDATE**

A very successful and well attended meeting was held in the Village Hall with representatives from Laing O'Rourke.

A number of outstanding matters were considered: would the access to the bus stop on Gotham Road be maintained after Barton Lane is closed; will traffic lights be installed to make it easier for access to the A453 from the village; when exactly would Barton Lane be closed; the Planting Scheme had not been finalised and when would planting commence to reduce noise pollution

### **777. FINANCE**

It was confirmed that the Parish Council agreed to act as bankers for the In Bloom committee and accept grants and donations on their behalf and issue cheques accordingly.

Two cheques were approved and signed totalling £359.60

778. **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

13/00394/FUL to use garage as kitchen, remove garage door and replace with window and brickwork and fit 2 rooflights. No objections.

13/00456/FUL demolition of existing holiday accommodation known as THUT, Trentside and erection of new holiday lodge. The Parish Council **OBJECTS** on the grounds that it is an inappropriate development in this location. It was proposed and agreed that Cllr Kerr should prepare a detailed response to be circulated to members and submitted to Rushcliffe BC by the Clerk.

It was noted that the site location map produced by Rushcliffe BC did not show all properties on Trentside.

Cllr Coles left the meeting at 8:50 pm

13/00032/FUL, to construct a double garage and conservatory at 16 Brown Lane. The Parish Council **OBJECTS**. The council does not consider any significant changes have been made to the original application previously submitted and objects on the same grounds as the original response. It was noted that the quality of the application was poor with inadequate drawings.

779. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2013

The Annual Meeting of the Parish would be held jointly with the Village Hall Committee AGM on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013

## **Barton in Fabis Parish Council**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2013** at 7:30 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles & Allan Kerr (Vice Chairman)

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk)

#### **780. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 2013-14**

Bill Harrison was proposed and elected unanimously as Chairman 2013-14

#### **781. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Mrs Susan Davies & Mrs Lynda Dransfield

#### **782. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### **783. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN AND ALLOCATION OF MEMBER'S SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

Allan Kerr was proposed and elected unanimously as Vice Chairman 2013-14

It was proposed and agreed to defer a discussion on member responsibilities until the next scheduled meeting.

#### **784. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

None were given

#### **785. COUNTY REPORT**

There was none. The clerk commented that it had been impossible to contact the newly elected CC Member Andrew Brown.

#### **786. DISTRICT REPORT**

There was none.

#### **787. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported on a very successful meeting with Simon Plowright.

The clerk confirmed that the application for a defibrillator had not been submitted as applications for a grant were still outstanding.

#### **788. RUSHCLIFFE BC CORE STRATEGY CONSULTATION**

It was proposed and agreed to engage Bettina Lange (CPRE) to undertake a Green Belt review on behalf of the PC in association with Gotham PC and Thrumpton Meeting. The parish council's contribution would be £400.

A number of issues had been addressed including the now defunct Regional Plan, student numbers, affordable housing and increased housing numbers. It was understood that a proposal was to be put before Rushcliffe BC cabinet to increase housing numbers by 3,000 and it was planned to suggest to the Inspector that a pre-enquiry meeting be held to discuss housing numbers.

A meeting with Ken Clarke MP had been arranged for representatives from Barton in Fabis, Gotham and Thrumpton

**789. PLANNING**

Rushcliffe BC Planning Forum; attended by the PC and useful information obtained Village Plan; no progress but recent information suggests grants are still available.

Village Sign; the judges for Nottingham in Bloom commented last year about the absence of a village sign, no decision was taken.

It is expected that a revised application for 16 Brown Lane will be received shortly.

**790. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

There was a discussion on the forthcoming annual parish meeting to be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May with the village hall AGM and the Chairman outlined what his report would include.

**791. A453**

Laing O'Rourke were providing a weekly outline of scheduled work and the clerk was circulating this to members and others. There was no firm news on when Barton Lane would be closed nor the installation of traffic lights.

**792. FINANCE**

The monthly Financial Statement was submitted and approved and four cheques totalling £473.88 were approved for signature.

The Statement of Accounts 2012-13 was discussed and approved subject to a satisfactory internal audit which was scheduled for the following week. The Chairman was authorised to sign on completion of a satisfactory internal audit.

The Annual Report was discussed and approved and the Chairman authorised to sign following a satisfactory internal audit.

There was a discussion on the current financial procedures and it was proposed and agreed that no changes to the current financial procedures were necessary. The discussion included a review of bank interest rates, PC insurance, the budget and expenditure compared to budget and risk.

The clerk confirmed that an application for a refund of VAT had been made to HMRC and the precept for 2013-14 had been received.

It was proposed and agreed to amend the Skipton BS mandate and Cllr Coles was given authority to implement and if advantageous to switch the funds to an account paying higher interest.

It was proposed and agreed to maintain the "fighting fund" originally created to protect the council's interests with the proposed A453 widening scheme and recently extended to include Rushcliffe BC's Core Strategy proposals. It was proposed and agreed; reserves should be allocated as follows; a fund to fight against possible unsuitable development, £23,000, possible purchase of land, £5,000 and the balance to general contingency.

**793. CLERK'S BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was confirmed that an advert for the post of Clerk to the PC had been agreed and would appear in the next issue of the Messenger. Expenditure was approved

**794. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

No matters not discussed elsewhere on the agenda

**795. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed Tuesday 2nd July 2013.

## Barton in Fabis Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013** at 7:30 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Julian Coles & Mrs Susan Davies

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk) & Cllr Andrew Brown (Nottinghamshire CC)

### 796. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Linda Dransfield and Allan Kerr

### 797. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2013**

It was proposed and agreed to defer this item until the next meeting

### 798. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

None were given

### 799. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Andrew Brown, member for Nottinghamshire CC

The Chairman reported that the village had not been successful in this years Best Kept Village Competition despite the judges comments all being very positive. This was in contrast to Britain in Bloom where the criteria and categories for judging were very clear. It was agreed Cllr Coles should draft a letter to CPRE.

Streetwise had been very helpful visiting the village at the appropriate times

### 800. **DISTRICT REPORT**

None given

### 801. **COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Brown reported that he had been appointed to the Highways & Planning committee and the EMA Consultative committee as he believed these were important to the local area. Normally these appointments were for 1 year initially but usually extended.

It was noted that the traffic lights had been installed at the junction of Manor Road and the A453 but that the verges had not been cut, LOR were now responsible and they would be asked to cut as soon as possible.

Cllr Brown reported that he was considering asking for HGV's to be restricted to the left hand lane when the widened A453 was opened.

The Bus Consultation was discussed and it was noted that the plan used at the public exhibitions was incorrect. Through ticketing remained an obstacle to more flexible routing and timetabling. The Soar Valley bus was restricted by red tape.

20:10 hours Cllr Brown left the meeting.

### 802. **PLANNING**

It was noted that the Highways Department apparently would not be commenting on the retrospective planning permission given on the picket fence on Manor Road and it was agreed they should be approached for an explanation.

Planning application reference 13/01083/FUL at 1 The Limes to construct a single storey rear extension was considered and it was proposed and agreed to object on the grounds of close proximity to the adjacent property and the need to remove a mature beech hedge

**803. A453 UPDATE**

No progress on Laing O'Rourke's proposal for improved screening/fencing or a planting scheme.

**804. RUSHCLIFFE BC CORE STRATEGY**

It was noted that Rushcliffe BC would be holding a public consultation in Gotham followed by one in the village. A village meeting would be held on 5<sup>th</sup> August to agree a strategy and response to the consultation. It was proposed and agreed to approve expenditure up to £300 for printing.

It was noted that Ken Mafham Associates had proposed a mapping exercise in support of our response to the Core Strategy, it was proposed and agreed to approve this expenditure.

The proposal to increase house numbers by 500 was discussed, this could be achieved by increasing the area or density.

Our strategy to include such items as comparison with Sharpe Hill; objections and arguments against B1 B2 and B8 development; inadequate Green Belt review and the Traveller Site and the removal of the Design Guide by Rushcliffe BC which would at least have provided some planning conditions on what would be acceptable.

It was further agreed that we should not comment on proposals aimed at Tollerton or Edwalton.

**805. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC BUS CONSULTATION**

The public consultation in Thrumpton was attended by members and Residents. No firm proposals were given nor any idea of what changes might be implemented but it was repeated several times that if the County Council wished to save money the bus services would be an easy target. It was agreed this item should be monitored closely.

**806. FOOTPATHS**

A resident had complained to the Clerk about an obstruction on the footpath near Glebe Farm and the Chairman reported he had spoken to the County Council on this matter. Rerouting of the path to its original route would be considered.

It was proposed and agreed to consider purchase two wooden finger posts for the village, one to be located at Jacky's Lane. The County Council would make a small contribution towards the cost and the quote obtained from Secure A Field for approximately £700 was accepted

**807. FINANCE**

Four cheques, expenditure previously agreed, had been signed since the last meeting. Totalling £612.80.

It was noted that an invoice from Ken Mafham Associates was expected and the Clerk was authorised to make a payment.

The internal audit of the accounts had been concluded satisfactorily and the Annual Return submitted to the external auditors.

**808. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

The website was not being updated due to technical reasons and the Clerk suggested any changes should be delayed until the appointment of a new Clerk.

A Newsletter was approved mainly to advertise the Village Meeting

809. **CLERK'S BUSINESS**

None

810. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2013

The meeting closed at 21:20 hours

## Barton in Fabis Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council  
held on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2013** at 7:30 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

### **PRESENT**

Bill Harrison (Chairman), Mrs Susan Davies, Mrs Lynda Dransfield and Allan Kerr

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

RJ Hawkins (Clerk) & Bev Angel.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Bev Angel. Clerk designate to the meeting

### 811. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Julian Coles; Cllrs T Vennett-Smith (RBC) and Cllr Andrew Brown (Nottinghamshire CC) also sent apologies.

### 812. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Minutes of the meetings held on 9<sup>th</sup> May & 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman

### 813. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE**

None were given

### 814. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman commented on the recent, frequent A453 road closures; it was generally accepted that the diversions had worked well.

### 815. **DISTRICT REPORT**

In the absence of Cllr Trevor Vennett-Smith there was none. It was noted that Cllr Vennett-Smith had resigned as a Member of Gotham Parish Council

### 816. **COUNTY REPORT**

Cllr Brown reported via the clerk that he had been appointed a Member of the Transport Committee and hoped that as a result he would have a beneficial impact on local issues.

Discussions were ongoing with the Highways Lighting Department to push forward the plan to install a street light on Rectory Place but key members were currently on holiday.

Limited funding was available for local projects and he would gladly consider any requests.

### 817. **PLANNING**

13/00456/FUL demolition of existing holiday accommodation known as THUT, Trentside and erection of new holiday lodge; this application has been refused by Rushcliffe BC.

13/01083/FUL at 1 The Limes to construct a single storey rear extension has been refused by Rushcliffe BC.

A revised planning application by Mrs Jane Blatchford 16 Brown Lane to construct a double garage and conservatory to the front of 16 Brown Lane has been approved.

Local plan & assistance available from Rushcliffe BC; it was noted that Rushcliffe BC was prepared to give assistance and advice to any group wishing to develop a Local Plan. Financial assistance was not available. It was noted that East Leake and Keyworth were both working to develop a Local Plan with assistance from Rushcliffe BC planners.



**818. A453 UPDATE**

A453 Road closures in an emergency; following the unsatisfactory situation of traffic being diverted through the village recently following an accident approaches were made to LOR and the police to ascertain their current policy and to restrict such diversions in the future. Correspondence is ongoing.

**819. RUSHCLIFFE BC CORE STRATEGY UPDATE**

No significant developments but further work has been commissioned from Ken Mafham and expenditure approved.

Cllr Coles would be undertaking a reconciliation with Gotham and Thrumpton to apportion overall costs.

It was noted that the adjacent authority in Leicestershire was proposing the construction of 3,000 near Hathern.

**820. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CC BUS CONSULTATION UPDATE**

No developments but agreed that parish council should monitor the consultation closely. It would appear the government might be considering getting involved.

**821. FOOTPATHS & FINGER POSTS**

The Chairman had asked Jane Baines to investigate the footpath problems behind the old pig farm and these had now been resolved. A fire in the workshop of the finger post manufacturer means a delay in delivery.

**822. FINANCE**

The financial statement was presented and approved; income and expenditure are roughly as expected and funds transfer would be required soon from the savings account.

The Chairman's allowance of £50 for the year was approved.

It was proposed and agreed that the Parish Council should again fund the purchase of medals for the children's section of the Flower Show.

The purchase of a wreath for Remembrance Day was approved.

The mandate for the Skipton BS was outstanding.

Three cheques were approved and signed totalling £472.08

There was a brief discussion on the future funding of the In Bloom project and the need for any In Bloom committee to consider a dedicated bank account.

It was noted that a new internal auditor had to be appointed.

**823. CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE & NEWSLETTER**

PC Insurance from AON UK. The clerk reported that he considered our current insurers to be adequate but AON UK had approached offering a quotation.

Public Transport Toolkit (Previously highlighted in an email); perhaps too complicated for our requirements but might be useful depending on how the County Council consultation on transport progresses.

The clerk explained that the website was not being updated for technical reasons. The host company had upgraded all servers and we now had more space but support for Microsoft FrontPage had been withdrawn. The clerk was currently using WordPress as an alternative to provide a basic web site. It was proposed and agreed members should consider the options and consider at the next meeting. The clerk suggested there was merit in having one web site for the whole village.

It was agreed a Newsletter was not required at present but at a later time, items for inclusion including; use of taxi if the No 65 fails to turn up, footpath map, old photograph of the school, and school children and a request for Soar Valler volunteers.

**824. CLERK'S BUSINESS**

To consider parish boundary; the clerk suggested that it might be necessary to consider boundary changes if approval was given for a major housing development in the parish. The case of Shelford and Newton PC wanting to split because of a similar situation was cited.

Request for bus stop bench on Manor Road/Chestnut Lane junction; a resident had asked if a seat could be provided at the Chestnut Lane/New Road bus stop, it was considered more appropriate to move the stop to the end of Manor Road where there was already a bench seat.

Insurance for Red Phone Box; it was proposed and agreed the Clerk should ask for the Red Phone Box to be added to the insurance schedule.

RCAN & LOR Volunteering; there was a discussion on possible projects to put forward; it was agreed to propose, resurfacing of the church footpath and rehangng of the gates and block paving of the area behind the village hall and clearing the area around the old manor wall.

It appeared our application to install a defibrillator had not been received and the clerk agreed to investigate.

**825. APPOINTMENT OF NEW CLERK**

The PC went into closed session to discuss the contractual arrangements for the new clerk. It was proposed and agreed the starting date should be 1<sup>st</sup> October and the current clerk staying on until the next PC meeting.

**826. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was proposed and agreed to move the meeting to Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013 to avoid Bonfire Night provided the village hall is available, starting at 7.45 pm.

The meeting closed at 10 pm.