BARTON IN FABIS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council held on Thursday 4th February 2016 at 8:00 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

PRESENT

Allan Kerr (Chairman) Bill Harrison (Vice Chairman), Julian Coles, Helen Fletcher and Diane Harrison.

IN ATTENDANCE

Bev Angell (Clerk) and County Councillor Andrew Brown

Apologies were received Rushcliffe Borough Councillor Stuart Matthews.

990. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 th November 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman

991. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE.

No declarations were made.

992. COUNTY REPORT

It was reported that Nottinghamshire County Council was proposing a 1.9% increase in its budget, with a further 1.99% to provide additional resources for social care. I was also reported that the County Council had received its first fracking application.

993. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman thanked Councillor Coles for the work that he had put in on the County Council's Mineral Plan. The lights in the Barton Lane underpass are now operational. Councillor Coles agreed to pursue the matter of the additional hedging in front of the barriers at the top of New Road. This had originally been approved by the contractor, but had subsequently been withdrawn.

994. RUSHCLIFFE NEIGHBOOD PLAN

It was agreed that a group be established to review the Neighbourhood Area Plan, which needs to link in with the Rushcliffe Local Plan. Once approved by the Parish Council, this can be used for planning enforcement within the Village. Councillor Coles agreed to email the Head of Planning at Rushcliffe Borough Council on the progress of the Clifton Pastures Planning application.

995. **NEWSLETTER**

Councillor Coles agreed to prepare a draft of the next edition of the Village Newsletter for circulation to members for comment prior to distribution.

996. MINERAL EXTRACTION.

The County Council's Mineral Plan was approved by both its Environment and Sustainability Committee and Full Council. The Plan will now be the subject of consultation as to its soundness. The Barton in Fabis site has been excluded from the list of proposed sites.

997. FRACKING

Barton in Fabis has been identified as one of the areas in Nottinghamshire where fracking could be approved. It was agreed to carry out further work in order to understand what the issues were.

998. FLOODING

The question of flooding was considered, Councillor Coles was identified as the Flood Warden, in the event of a threat to the Village from flooding. It was agreed that further training be carried out and reference was made to a website "Know your flood risk" that contained much useful information.

999. VILLAGE SEAT

The woodwork on the Silver Jubilee seat has now been completed by Mr Stefan Barcikowski. It was agreed that his invoice be paid and that a letter of thanks be sent to him for an excellent piece of work and for the prompt manner in which it was completed. The work to the concrete will form a separate contract. Both County Councillor Andrew Brown and Rushcliffe Borough Councillor Stuart Matthews will be approached to ask if they would consider making a contribution from their ward budget towards the cost.

1000. FINANCE

The clerk circulated a statement expenditure and income against the current year budget covering the period until the end of January 2016, the contents of which were noted.

Cheques totalling £1,469.51 were approved for payment.

The budget for 2016/2017 was considered and it was agreed that the budget be approved in the sum of £3,294, which would be met by the Parish precept.

1001. CORRESPONDANCE

The clerk reported that Local Government Boundary Commission had completed its review of Nottinghamshire and that the final recommendation would include Barton in Fabis within a two member wards for Nottinghamshire County Council that extended from East Leake to Ruddington

1002. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is 17 March 2016

The meeting closed at 9:55 p.m