

BARTON IN FABIS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Barton in Fabis Parish Council held on Thursday 14th May
2015 at 7:45 p.m. in Barton Village Hall

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Bev Angell (Clerk) and Councillor Stuart Matthews (Rushcliffe Borough Council) Apologies were received from County Councillor Andrew Brown.

944. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 9th April 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman

945. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY COUNCILLORS

All five councillors declared elected at the uncontested election on 7 May 2015 signed the Acceptance of Office form, which was witnessed and signed by the Clerk to the Council.

946. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CODE OF PRACTICE.

No declarations were made. Councillors were reminded of the need to return their individual return of interests to the Monitoring Officer at Rushcliffe Borough Council by Thursday 4 May 2015.

947. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 2015 - 2016

Councillor Allan Kerr was proposed by Councillor Bill Harrison and seconded by Councillor Julian Coles. There being no other nominations, Councillor Allan Kerr was declared elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2015 - 2016.

948. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 2015 - 2016

Councillor Bill Harrison was proposed by Councillor Allan Kerr and seconded by Councillor Julian Coles. There being no other nominations, Councillor Bill Harrison was declared elected Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2015 - 2016.

949. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman welcomed two new members to the Parish Council, Councillors Helen Fletcher and Diane Harrison. He also thanked the two outgoing councillors, Susan Davis and Lynda Dransfield who had not sought re-election, for their past service to the Parish Council.

He reported that the tram works were close to completion, although as yet a date for it becoming operational had not been set. The A453 works were also close to completion; with it being anticipated that at least one carriageway would be operational in both directions from Fabis Drive in Clifton to Junction 24 of the M1. Snagging work, tree planting and general site clearance would continue after the end of May. It was reported that there was general support in the Village for a Heritage Group. The Parish Council was represented at the presentation held in Gotham to mark Rushcliffe Borough Councillor, Trevor Vennett Smith's service to the community.

950. ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 2015 2016

After consideration, the following responsibilities were allocated for 2015 2016.

Duty	Lead
Sand and Gravel	Julian Coles
Rushcliffe Core Strategy	Allan Kerr
Newsletter	Diane Harrison and Helen Fletcher
Website	Bev Angell
Neighbourhood Plan	Bill Harrison
Trentside	Allan Kerr
Barton in Bloom	Julian Coles
Village Street Furniture	Diane Harrison and Helen Fletcher
Sand and Gravel	Julian Coles
Liaison with Gotham and Thrumpton	Julian Coles
Footpaths	Bill Harrison
Heritage Group	Bill Harrison

951. DISTRICT REPORT

Rushcliffe Borough Councillor, Stuart Matthews was in attendance, having recently been elected as member for the Gotham Ward, which includes Barton in Fabis. He provided an introduction of his background and there was a general discussion how the Parish Council and he could work together over issues of concern to Barton in Fabis. Particular reference was made to the ongoing housing developments in Rushcliffe and the application for sand and gravel excavation within Barton.

952. COMBINED CORE STRATEGY – JUDICIAL REVIEW

It was reported the Judicial Review, lodged jointly with Gotham Parish Council, Cotgrave Parish Council and Thrumpton Parish Meeting, in the High Court had been unsuccessful.

953. RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL CORE STRATEGY

It was agreed to withdraw from the Judicial Review, recently lodged in the High Court, challenging Rushcliffe Borough Council's Core Strategy be discontinued.

954. SAND AND GRAVEL EXCAVATION

It was reported that Nottinghamshire County Council had made a request for a full scoping document to be considered as part of the formal planning process that was likely to go before committee in October 2015. Any public enquiry would take place during the spring of 2016. Councillor Julian Coles was thanked for the work that he had put in relating to the completion of the document.

955. FINANCE

The clerk circulated a statement showing the draft outturn for 2014 – 2015, with gross payments of £20,556, offset by receipts of £7,587. A balance of £17,856 remained, represented by £17,048 in the Council's account with the Skipton Building Society and a further £782 in the Council's current account with Cooperative Bank.

Cheques totalling £558.00 were approved for payment.

956. CORRESPONDANCE AND CLERKS BUSINESS

The clerk reported that he had registered the Parish Council with the Pensions Regulator to comply with new regulations coming into force in relation to pension arrangements for employees. It was also reported that Rushcliffe Borough Council would not be taking action over a fly tipping incident that had taken place on Manor Road Barton in Fabis, in June 2014 due to lack of evidence.

957. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the Annual Parish meeting was set for Thursday 21st May 2015 commencing at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9:17 p.m