



MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21ST JANUARY 2019 AT BARROW PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMENCING 7.10PM

Present:	Cllrs Jean Brown (Chair), Lee Street, Stuart McGregor, Diane Chiappi
In attendance:	Mrs Victoria Wilson (Clerk), Mrs Janet Pay (Head of Barrow Primary School)

19/01. To receive apologies for absence and consider approval

PCSO Katie Ferguson sent her apologies as she was not on duty. Apologies from Cllr Kinder were received and approved at the meeting in November 2018.

19/02. To receive declarations of interest

None were received.

19/03. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2018

It was resolved to accept and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 19th November 2018 (previously circulated) as a correct record.

19/04. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion

Mrs Janet Pay, the new head of Barrow Primary School, discussed plans for the school's expansion and advised that the board of governors hope to work more closely with the parish council and the wider community in the future. The school are currently looking at ways to minimise the impact of school parking, such as a walking bus from Barrow Brook.

Mrs Pay then left the meeting.

19/05. To consider PACT issues (Police and Communities Together)

The Clerk read a report from PCSO Katie Ferguson detailing recent incidents in the village, including vehicles speeding on the A59 and nuisance vehicles at Barrow Brook. There was a warning about burglaries in neighbouring villages and residents were advised to be cautious. Reports of anti-social behaviour on the footpath next to Barrow Brook were also discussed.

19/06. To consider strategies to improve the parish council's community engagement, including the publication of future newsletters

Members expressed their wishes to engage more closely with residents in the future. Following positive feedback on the summary circulated after the last meeting, it was resolved to continue to produce and circulate the reports. Also, it was resolved to produce the next newsletter around Easter 2019 and ideas for articles were discussed.

19/07. To approve as a correct record the 2018/19 accounts to date and authorise payments

It was resolved that the accounts to date for the year ended 31st March 2019 are approved and accepted. These show an opening balance of £3,895.68, receipts of £11,008.04 and expenditure of £8,081.28, leaving a balance carried forward of £6,822.44.

It was resolved to authorise the following accounts for payment:

021	Mrs V Wilson – Clerk's salary £849.72, use of home £34.66, reimbursements £75.99 (November and December 2018)	£960.37
022	Ribble Valley Borough Council – grounds maintenance 2018/19	£390.00
023	M H Electrical – inspection of Christmas lights at Barrow Brook	£20.00

It was also resolved to approve the purchase of a dog waste bin and weekly emptying costs for Barrow Brook after consultation with Ribble Valley Borough Council.

19/08. To receive a report on planning applications relating to Barrow since the last meeting

Cllr Brown discussed a planning report (previously circulated) on recent planning applications relating to Barrow, including plans for 233 new dwellings next to the Redrow Homes development. The forthcoming planning meeting at RVBC was discussed and it was noted with disappointment that RVBC had recommended approval for advertising on the A59 near McDonald's. Cllr Brown agreed to attend the meeting and there followed a discussion on safety concerns and which arguments to use in the presentation.

19/09. To receive a report from the parish council's meeting with LCC re highway concerns, including future plans for Barrow, illegal HGV parking at Barrow Brook, safety concerns on the A59 and roadworks on Whalley Road

Cllrs Brown and Street reported on their recent meeting with County Councillor Albert Atkinson (Member for Ribble Valley North East), County Councillor Keith Iddon (Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport) and Mr Phil Durnell (Head of Highways at LCC) regarding highway safety in Barrow, particularly the dangers of HGV parking at Barrow Brook, speeding on the A59 and future highway plans. LCC agreed to review HGV access to Barrow Brook as there was no HGV parking and consider improvements for pedestrian safety in the area. It was agreed that the parish council would continue to provide LCC with photographic evidence of illegal parking to demonstrate the dangers and noted that parking attendants had been sighted at Barrow Brook since the meeting. On LCC's recommendation, it was resolved to contact RVBC to request that traffic lights at the junction of Whalley Road and the A671 are installed as soon as possible and that a zebra crossing is installed near to KFC and the Co-Operative Store at Barrow Brook.

19/10. To consider residents' concerns regarding road adoptions at Barrow Brook

Following concerns expressed by residents of Barrow Brook Grange regarding the delay in LCC adopting the new estate roads, the Clerk reported on correspondence with LCC which stated that this was due to delayed bridge repairs by Rowland Homes. It is hoped the adoption will take place shortly.

19/11. To receive an update following correspondence with HML Group regarding the banking at Barrow Brook and work to reduce the flood risk in the village

The Clerk reported that HML Group has confirmed who is responsible for each section of Barrow Brook and she would now set up a meeting to discuss a maintenance plan with the aim of reducing the flood risk in the future. The muddy footpath which runs alongside Barrow Brook was discussed and suggestions made to improve the surfacing. It was resolved that in the first instance, the Clerk would approach HML Group to politely request that improvements are made.

19/12. To consider the broken stile on Whiteacre Lane

Following a report from Wiswell Parish Council, it was agreed to report the broken stile to Lancashire County Council.

19/13. To receive a report from the Clerk on ongoing matters

The Clerk reported on ongoing matters and other work on hand. The village's no cold calling scheme was discussed and it was resolved to contact Trading Standards to request the scheme be extended to the new Barrow Brook Estates.

19/14. To receive a report on RVBC's Parish Councils Liaison Committee meeting on 22nd November 2018

Cllr Kinder was unable to attend the meeting, so the Clerk agreed to obtain and circulate the minutes.

19/15. To receive a report from the Whalley, Wiswell and Barrow Joint Burial Committee from Cllrs Brown and McGregor

Cllr Brown reported that meetings were now held quarterly and the next meeting was scheduled for 1st February 2019.

19/16. To consider General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Clerk gave an update on GDPR compliance and discussed action to be taken by Members to minimise the risks for the parish council.

19/17. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Monday 25th March 2019 and consider invitations to other parties

The meeting date was confirmed.

19/18. To consider any other business

None was discussed.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

Signed by Chair..... Date.....