

# BARSHAM AND SHIPMEADOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held in Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016

**Present:** Mr N Smith Chairman, Mr J Bumpus, Mr P Holmes, Mrs P Midwinter, Mr M Smith, Suffolk County Councillor Mr D Ritchie, Waveney District Councillor Mr K Springall

**Apologies:** Mrs P Harris – family commitment, Mrs J Howell – holiday, Mr D Lay - work commitment

**Declaration of Interests:** None

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016 were agreed and signed as a correct record

## **Matters arising:**

33-0416 **External Audit for Smaller Authorities** – After the March meeting the latest communication from Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments was received regarding changes to the auditing of the accounts, it was clear from this information that the PC could not continue with its present decision to opt out. Mr J Bumpus proposed and Mr P Holmes seconded the motion to opt in and to retract the previous decision to opt out. All agreed.

34-0416 **Barsham and Shipmeadow Community** – PC representatives mentioned the idea of having film shows in the Village Hall to help raise funds for the inside toilets project to the Village Hall Committee. The VH Secretary approached “Flicks in the Sticks”, after research it was clear the cost would not make it a viable fund raiser.

35-0416 **B1062 Speed Limit Barsham, Shipmeadow and Mettingham** - SCC Mr D Ritchie gave an update of the current situation. Mark Kerridge SCC Highways is gathering evidence on his behalf for a 50mph speed limit and it will be presented to the Speed Panel on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016. Previously the B1062 did not fit the criteria for a reduction to 50mph. The Police now support a reduction to the speed limit due to the increased volume of traffic in and out of Masiebrook Farm. Mr Ritchie explained this may be a border line case with a 50/50 chance of success, he has held back some of his highway budget to help with the cost if successful. The Councillors thanked Mr Ritchie.

**Police Report** – None

**Public Contribution** – None

## 36-0416 **Planning Applications:**

DC/16/1147/FUL Construction of a 2 storey rear extension, raise angle of rear roof and internal alterations, including demolish of existing rear conservatory. 1 Bridge Cottages, Barsham Hill, Barsham.  
PC Observations: No Objections

**36-0416 Planning Applications Continued:**

DC/16/1177/LBC Listed Building Consent - Removal of cement render from rear wall of property, make good any necessary repairs and replace with lime render and replacement back door.

Gables Farm House, Hall Road, Barsham.

PC Observations: No Objections

BA/2016/0118/HOUSEH & BA/2016/0119/LBC Construction of manege and conversion of agricultural building to stables. Manor Farm, Low Road, Shipmeadow.

PC Consider Approval with condition of concern if floodlighting is added in future, possible impact on Neighbours, The Broads, Bats and Owls.

Listed Building Consent Granted DC/16/0936/LBC Listed Building Consent – replacement attic windows 19 Viewpoint Mews, Shipmeadow.

**37-0416 Financial Report to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

Bt/Fwd 4885.21

Receipts None

Payments None

Balance C/Fwd 4885.21 Statement 291 refers

**38-0416 Financial Report for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016** – The Clerk submitted this for approval.

Mr J Bumpus proposed and Mr M Smith seconded the approval, all agreed.

**39-0416 Annual Return for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016** – Section 1 The Annual Governance Statement 2015/2016 was formally approved by the Councillors.

Mrs P Midwinter proposed and Mr J Bumpus seconded the approval, all agreed.

Section 2 The Accounting Statement 2015/2016 was formally approved by the Councillors.

Mr P Holmes proposed and Mrs P Midwinter seconded the approval, all agreed.

**Payments to be Approved** – None

**40-0416 Correspondence received:**

**Adnams** – Report and Accounts 2014/15 – To be fwd to Village Hall Committee

**SALC** – 2 items, Planning Changes and Broadband

**Suffolk Constabulary** – Local Policing Review, Waveney Area: Meet you new Locality Inspector

**WDC** – Lowestoft Community Governance review

**Any Other Business:**

**41-0416 Gull Lane Byway** – It was suggest a letter should be sent to Annette Robinson SCC East Area Rights of Way Manager in regard to downgrading the Gull. Clerk to contact.

**42-0416 Barsham Village Sun Sign** – A professional job of repainting the sign will need to be achieved over the summer months. Various painters' names were passed to the Clerk to obtain estimates.

43-0416 **Barsham War Memorial** – The Village Hall Committee have informed the PC of an account held at Barclays Bank in the name of Barsham Aviation Memorial Fund. This apparently has a balance which had been raised to maintain the memorial. The VHC is looking for clarification regarding signatories for the account. The memorial paving slabs are uneven and in need of relaying/replacing on a membrane base with the gaps pointed to prevent weeds growing through.

44-0416 **Roadworks B1062 Barsham** – Several complaints regarding the vast amount of spoil that has been placed on the footpath to enable the recent repairs to be carried out. This has not been removed; residents cannot walk safely along the footpath to Beccles. SCC Highways have been contacted.

Next scheduled meeting will be the Annual General Meeting which will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30pm followed by the Parish Council Meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed:

Dated: