

BARSHAM AND SHIPMEADOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 13th March 2024

At 7.30pm at Barsham Village Hall

Present: ZB, PH, ZM

Public Attendance: District Cllr. T. Hammond was in attendance.

Apologies: DA, PM

Declarations of Interest: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

These were circulated and agreed as a true record of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th February 2024. Proposed: PH. Seconded: ZB. ZB signed the Minutes.

Matters Arising:

17-0324: Electricity to Phone Box update: Deferred to next meeting.

18-0324: Monthly check on Defib battery: Checked by PH and found to be in order.

19-0324: Church Benches update: Deferred to next meeting due to PM's absence.

20-0324: Neighbourhood Plan: ZB reported that contacts had been made with our NP partners.

The next steps to be taken will be discussed at the next meeting after further email contacts.

21-0324: Flooding at The Ink Factory Cottages: No official updates received as yet. It was noted that the flooding at Barsham Rigg and other 'dip' sections of the B1062 continued to be an issue, although clearing of flood debris at Barsham Rigg had been carried out last month.

Public Contribution:

22-0324: Dist. Cllr. Hammond informed the meeting that he and Dist. Cllr. A. Specca were keen to receive any applications for their upcoming 2024-25 Enabling Communities Grant. This was discussed with reference to the BSVH 'A Hall for All' Project, which has been running since 2019.

Planning Matters:

23-0324: DC/24/0663/TPOW1: To remove all Oak, Ash and Maple stems within 20m of the building Helios House, Clarkes Lane, Barsham, Suffolk, NR34 8HN.

It was felt that the removal of stems causing damage, or potential damage, to the building might be acceptable. However, the matter was deferred for decision to the next meeting when more councillors would be in attendance.

Financial Matters:

24-0324: Financial Report circulated by ZB.

Balance as at 14th February 2024: **£6,622.55.**

Less Bank Charges for period to 12th February to be deducted 05th March 2024: **£9.00.**

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Payments to be approved:

25-0324: ZB tabled an invoice from BSVH for VH hire charges for the period 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2024. Allowing for months when no PC meeting took place, or was held online, this period covers 17 meetings at £12 per meeting. **Total: £204.00.** Approval deferred to the next meeting.

Correspondence Received: All forwarded by email.

Any Other Business:

26-0324: Defibrillator gel and pads may need to be replaced - to be checked with PM.

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday 10th April 2024

There being no more business, the meeting was drawn to a close at 8.25pm.

Signed:

Date: