

Evenwood & Barony Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held Tuesday, 12th April 2022 at 7.00 pm,
Randolph Community Centre, Stones End, Evenwood, Bishop Auckland DL14 9RE

Present: Cllr B Nicholson, Chairwoman
Cllr P Coulson
Cllr A Lyons
Cllr E Pettit
Cllr M Prince
Cllr R Spraggan
Cllr R Webb

22.31 To INVITE COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from residents.

22.32 To ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr R Bolden, Cllr A Deakin, Cllr B Maude & Cllr J Sewell.

22.33 DECLARATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no expressions of interest declared.

22.34 To CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed accordingly.

22.35 CLERK'S TABLING OF CORRESPONDENCE/ENDORISING OF INVOICE CHEQUES

Correspondence received was tabled and payments endorsed for invoices as follows:

	Received	Paid	
DCC Precept & LCTSS Grant	£59,014.15		£77,477.21
Clerk's Qtr Salary		£1,036.80	£76,440.41
Northern Powergrid	£180.88		£76,621.29
Allotment rents	£2,450.00		£79,071.29
HMRC VAT Reimbursed	£4,366.94		£83,438.23
Broadband Randolph - annual contribution		£120.00	£83,318.23
Queen's Jubilee seat plates		£144.00	£83,174.23

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The 2021-2022 accounts were reviewed and approved; internal and external audits will be completed in due course.

22.36 LOCAL MAINTENANCE - ANY LOCAL ISSUES REQUIRING ATTENTION

- Concerns were raised about the poor state Bowes Close footpath and Clerk will request DCC inspection and relevant action.
- The walk-way and bridle path at Ramshaw was reported to be in a poor state with litter and dog faeces all the way to Spring Gardens. Clerk to contact Stuart Carse, DCC.
- Litter on Oaks Bank and outside the cemetery is to be reported.

22.37 TO RECEIVE ALLOTMENTS UPDATE

It is advised that the outstanding signed Allotment Agreement has now been received.

22.38 TO RECEIVE WELFARE GROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE

- It was advised that the Welfare Ground temporary roof is complete.
- It was advised that the Footballers' fees have been paid for the coming year; a request was made by the Footballer's for partial fees to be reimbursed if the group folds. The Parish Council resolved to consider this if/when it occurs.
- It is advised that the Welfare Ground account long awaited cheque has now arrived for deposit into the Parish Council's account in readiness to pay for the replacement fencing.

22.39 TO CONSIDER LOCAL PLANNING ISSUES

It was advised that redacted plans have been published advising that the glamping pods requested at Ramshaw is now being replaced with 13 chalets. Concerns will be submitted to DCC about the number of vehicles that will require parking in the 18 available bays to serve the chalets and the restaurant; there is potential for cars to spill out for parking into the already congested village.

It was proposed that the Parish Council investigate the accessibility to the rights of way footpaths and it was resolved that the Rights Of Way Officer, DCC be invited to review the plans and walk the access route.

22.40 NO AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to be held Tuesday, 10th May 2022, 7.00 pm at Randolph Community Centre.

Chairwoman's Signature..... Date.....