

# BARROW cum DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF BARROW VILLAGE HALL ON Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025

### Present:

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| Cllr Pearson<br>Cllr O'Brien<br>Cllr Welbourn<br>Cllr Bragg<br>Cllr Ford | Cllr Wesley<br>Cllr Rawlings<br>Cllr Steer | Clerk in attendance:<br>Minutes taken by Rachel Chilton |
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| Minute Ref |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Action |
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| 6739       | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b><br>Cllr Holmes<br>Cllr Cousins<br>Cllr Pettitt                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
| 6740       | <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</b><br>Cllr Steer on Item 9 of the agenda.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| 6741       | <b>PUBLIC FORUM: 9 members of the public present</b><br>Member of the public – why couldn't we see the meeting on the website.<br>Clerk – at the top of the old website there is a link to the new website. The old website is not up to date. Cllr O'Brien to redirect from the old site to the new.<br><br>Member of the public – do you know if a police reported burglary was included in the stats this month?<br>Parish Council – no it's not been reported in the figures. It does note incidents as being on or near a particular road. Parish Council to write to Tim Passmore to request why the figures reported appear to be inaccurate.<br><br>Member of the public – the school parking has been a problem for some time now and it is to do with the parking on the bend along the railings. It is not obvious enough but the yellow line has disappeared under gravel. It has escalated due to damage caused to a neighbouring property. Can anything be done about the road marking?<br>Parish Council asking Cllr Soons how could we help the school with this problem?<br>Cllr Holder could ask about the road sweeping as that is covered at the District Council.<br>Cllr Soons can ask about line refreshing with Highways and if the Parish email we could see if the line can be extended. We would need to see what the Traffic Regulation Order covers. |        |
| 6742       | <b>Minutes of the last meeting</b><br>Proposed: Cllr Welbourn Seconded: Cllr Rawlings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |        |
| 6743       | <b>To receive the County Council Report</b><br>Cllr Soons has added the links to the consultation for Devolution to her Facebook page. There are several options to choose from. Suffolk County Council voted for a single tier. There will be more entities bidding for the National funds available. Cllr Soons asked for us to please engage with the consultation as a Parish.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |

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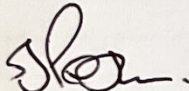


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| 6744 | <b>District Council Report</b><br>Local consultation re Devolution finishes in September.<br>The District Council doesn't have much influence in the forthcoming decisions.<br>Cllr Bragg asking for an update on the Autumn Close vacant properties. Havebury should know what numbers are vacant and they are doing work to them. Cllr Holder to follow up.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| 6745 | <b>Community Police Report</b><br>Attached.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |
| 6746 | <b>Community Infrastructure</b><br>A – No response to request for accurate data. Cllr Pearson will follow up.<br><br>B – Cllr Wesley to chase up the quotes for the Memorial repairs.<br><br>C – We have funding available to replace some of the bins and adjust one of the positions on the playing field. Area discussed and request to be sent back to West Suffolk Council.<br><br>D – This was covered in the Public Forum at 6741. General discussion over the safety of children and nearby residents along with the danger parents parking how they are, is creating. |  |
| 6747 | <b>Neighbourhood Plan Update</b><br>The Neighbourhood Plan is sitting with the Examiner but on the day of the meeting we received a note from the Examiner (attached). This information is available to the public.<br><br>Communication received directly to the Chairman regarding coalescence in the Neighbourhood Plan. Would we remove any mention of coalescence from the Neighbourhood Plan. The Chairman address the Council to ask if they feel that it needs removing. It was agreed that no change was to be made on this point.                                    |  |
| 6748 | <b>Community Facility – S106 Monies</b><br>We have been awarded the amount of £172,280.54 for the building of a community facility. We won't be given this month, we would submit invoices of the costs to West Suffolk Council.<br>There has been a meeting with two potential builders. We hope to be able to apply for a Right to Build under the right to develop a community building.                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |
| 6749 | <b>Parish records storage</b><br>Cllr Welbourn will seek quotes for self storage to enable the Clerk and Councillors to have a central point for storage of documentation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| 6750 | <b>VE Day</b><br>We will be lighting the beacon at the Village Hall at 9:15pm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| 6751 | <b>Devolution deal for Suffolk</b><br>Covered earlier in the meeting under 6743.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |
| 6752 | <b>Biodiversity Policy</b><br>A sub-committee was formed to refine the details of the policy drafted so far.<br>Meeting to be scheduled.<br>Proposed: Cllr Wesley Seconded: Cllr Bragg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |

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| 6753 | <b>Fete and Flower Show 2025</b><br>We have booked the bagpipes for £250.<br>We need more volunteers.<br>We hopefully have some more sponsorship from McGregor Services and Stormafit.<br>Village Hall has been booked.<br>Posters are being produced.<br>Updated schedule to follow.<br>Can we request the marquees from the cricket club if they are available. Cllr Rawlings will follow up.    |  |
| 6754 | <b>SALC</b><br>Local Council awards scheme. Fee is £50 or £80 subject to income of the Council.<br>The awards are bronze, silver and gold. Clerk and Cllr Steer to review the criteria.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| 6755 | <b>Financial Matters</b><br><br>To approve accounts.<br><br>Approval proposed by Cllr Welbourn seconded by Cllr Rawlings.<br><br>Payments accepted; proposed by Cllr Wesley seconded by Cllr Rawlings.<br><br>Invoices approved - none.                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| 6756 | <b>Planning Applications for Consideration</b><br>DC/25/0516/P3QPA – No comment.<br><br>DCON(B)/24/0141 – No comment.<br><br>DC/25/0414/CLP – What is the purpose of the mobile home and for how long will it be on site.<br><br>DC/25/0358/HH – No comment.<br><br>NMA(A)/18/2398 – dates for seasonal so not full time.<br><br>DC/25/0350/ELEC – No comment.<br><br>DC/25/0337/AG1 – No comment. |  |
| 6757 | <b>Planning determinations</b><br>No comments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|      | <b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b><br>Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 in the Committee Room of Barrow Village Hall at 7:15pm.<br><br>The meeting was closed at 9:01pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |

Signed:  (Chairman) date 12/5/25



## COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT – 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025

MESSAGES CASCADED - NONE

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2025= 11

Burglary – 4

V & S – 4

Drugs – 1

Public Order – 1

Theft - 1

All recorded crimes are on or near the location mentioned below.

| CATEGORY       | LOCATION           | TIMELINE/ACTION      |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| V & S          | Simpson Way        | No data available    |
| V & S          | Johnson Rd         | No data available    |
| V & S          | Meadow Way         | No data available    |
| V & S          | Orchard Farm Barns | No data available    |
| Burglary       | Lylles Field Drive | No data available    |
| Burglary       | Church Rd          | No data available    |
| Burglary x 2   | Stoney Lane        | No data available    |
| Drugs          | Watson Way         | No data available    |
| Public Order   | Brittons Crescent  | No data available    |
| Theft          | Watson Way         | No data available    |
| (Burglary x 2) | (Colethorpe Lane)  | (In Higham's Parish) |

REPORTED CRIME FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY – 8

V & S – 5

Robbery – 1

Drugs – 1

Public Order - 1

| CATEGORY     | LOCATION           | TIMELINE/ACTION   |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| V & S        | Macdonald Way      | No data available |
| V & S        | Cedar Road         | No data available |
| V & S        | Green Farm Lane    | No data available |
| V & S        | Orchard Farm Barns | No data available |
| V & S        | Cedar Crescent     | No data available |
| Robbery      | Brittons Rd        | No data available |
| Drugs        | Brittons Crescent  | No data available |
| Public Order | Bury Rd            | No data available |



## **Suffolk Police shine spotlight on criminal use of the road**

The Roads and Armed Policing Team begin a month-long campaign today, Tuesday 1 April, targeting drivers who choose to commit 'fatal four' offences.

The team will be using the month to target the strategic road network with focused patrols and increased vehicle checks. Both marked and unmarked units will work in collaboration with the Sentinel Team (ANPR / Automatic Number Plate Recognition team) to track and apprehend criminals using the county's roads for illegal enterprise. These tactics will aim to disrupt organised crime gangs and maintain the safety of Suffolk's Road users.

Officers will continue to highlight the dangers of the fatal four and explain the risks attached to these behaviours throughout the month, as they engage with drivers across the county. The fatal four include:

1. Excess speed
2. Using a mobile phone
3. Failing to wear a seatbelt
4. Drink and drug driving.

## **PCC publishes his new Police and Crime Plan**

Tim Passmore, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk has published his new Police and Crime Plan, following several months of extensive consultation with the public and stakeholder groups across the county.

The newly published plan, which is the PCC's fourth, clearly sets out his Police and Crime objectives for policing in Suffolk.

**Ralph Rawlings**

**7<sup>th</sup> April 2025**