**Barton Parish Council**

**Minutes of the meeting**

**12th March 2025 Barton Village Hall, 7.30pm**

**In attendance:**

Cllr Tomlinson, Cllr Hodkinson, Cllr Smith, Cllr Parker

Harriet Parker – Clerk

1. **Apologies for absence**

Cllr Lees and Cllr Whittam

**2. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting**

Approved subject to attendees from the meeting being included in the minutes.

**3. Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests** - Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal / prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest or there is a disclosable pecuniary interest, then the individual member should not participate in a discussion or vote on the matter.

None

**4. Farwell to Roger**

* Cllrs hoping Cllr Hacking would stay on until AGM to do the Chair’s end of year report.
* Cllr Hacking not in attendance
* Need to consult Parish rule regarding appointing a replacement.

**5. Boars Head Footpath**

* Hoping to have chicane or some form of gate installed.
* LCC had been contacted but awaited a response.
* Clerk is going to chase up the notice board.

**6. SPID Results**

* Discussed the SPID results and decided results should be passed to LCC and the police.
* Hoping that some measures can be put in place to reduce the amount of speeding vehicles.
* Suggestions of installing a roundabout somewhere.

**7. Parish Lengthsman**

* All councillors in agreement that Barton will appointment the new lengthsman, Steven Rostron.

**8. Public Participation**

* Resident raised a point about the broken bus shelter opposite The Sidings. LCC has said that they would be replacing the bus shelter in due course but couldn’t provide a timescale.
* It was also agreed that the bench would be replaced.
* Discussion surrounding the Cardwell Farm complaints log that has been started. Any and all complaints are being recorded by the Clerk.
* Resident also added that plastic to protect the house backing on to the site had been put up after 12 months of waiting.

**9. Financial matters**

* As per the discussion at the meeting

**10. Cardwell Farm**

* Discussion surrounding replacing the proposed community building with a MUGA.
* Cllr Parker explained that the clerk had obtained the spec from Catterall Parish Council and had forward this to Wainhomes who were looking at getting some prices. They have provisionally agreed to this change.
* Cost difference needs to be looked into to see if there are funds we could put to use elsewhere in the village.
* Suggestion regarding using some of the money towards the Woodlands Way footpath.

No further information regarding the Sovini Homes development.

**Dates of next meeting – Wednesday 14th May 2025**