

**Minutes of the 'Non Public' Financial Meeting of Barton Parish Council
to be held on 28/7/20 2020**

AGENDA

In attendance

Cllr Parker, Cllr Hacking, Cllr Smith, Cllr Tomlinson, Cllr Sharples, Cllr Lees

1. Apologies for non-attendance

None

2. Declaration of personal and prejudicial interests

None

3. BARTON PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1ST APRIL 2019 – 30TH MARCH 2020

The Chairman confirmed that the 2019/2020 Barton Parish Council accounts including bank statements had been reconciled

4. BARTON PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND RECEIPTS - Members were requested to agree the following payments :

Easy Websites - **£720** – payment in respect of the new parish council website and email address. Payment agreed.

Cllrs NOTED receipt of a PROW local Delivery Scheme Grant of **£500**

5 BALANCE OF BARTON PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS AS AT 28th JULY 2020

£59,681.74 – **Current Account**

£7805.05 – **NS & I**

6 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2019-20

Councillors present approved the Internal Audit Report for 2019/20 financial year. Following the approval of the Internal Audit, all the required documents will now be sent to the external auditor. All documents would be uploaded to the website.

7 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2019/20 FOR BARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Cllrs present approved the Annual Governance Statement for 2019/20 (Section 1) and the Chairman is requested to sign the appropriate documentation.

8 EXTERNAL AUDIT ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2019/20 FOR BARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Cllrs present approved the Accounting Statements 2019/20 in relation to Barton Parish Council. The chair signed the appropriate documentation.

9 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was confirmed that an objection to the application associated with **Cardwell Farm** for 151 dwellings, had been submitted by the Parish Council to Preston City Council.

Following the approval of an application for 68no Homes on Land Off Garstang Road the Parish Council had submitted a freedom of information request to Preston City Council to request that housing needs survey information that they claim was used to justify the application, was made available to the Parish Council. This information had not been made available to the parish council or City Councillors on planning committee before or during the committee at which the decision had been made. We await a response on this.

Cllr Parker and Cllr Hacking had met with Terry Dean a local parishioner to discuss parishioners concerns over the access to the above mentioned site. Terry had been in direct discussions with LCC highways over his concerns that a 2m wide pavement offered from the developer and on which the approval was granted was in fact not possible to achieve due to ownership issues. LCC have subsequently agreed to including a condition that for the development to go ahead, a 2m pavement must be installed from the site entrance to join with the existing footpath on the A6. The Parish Council would continue to offer support where possible.

The Parish Council had been made aware of an ongoing enforcement enquiry which had been raised by a parishioner in relation to Hilltop Farm. Preston City Council were currently looking into the concerns raised.

It was noted that a TPO had been registered in respect of Inglemere on Station Lane.

10. AOB

A virtual meeting of the neighbourhood plan steering group was due to be held on 30th July to discuss the next steps in the process.

The next stage would be a regulation 14 consultation with all residents, businesses and interested parties and it was anticipated that this consultation on the draft plan would start in September/October 2020 for a minimum of 6 weeks.

11. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 16th September and Wednesday 18th November (virtual)