

Barningham Parish Council July 2011

This newsletter has a report on the final accounts for last year and the usual summary of recent meetings, but also includes a separate sheet to introduce the Parish Councillors following the elections in May.

Recent meetings

New street light and bollards on B1111 have been discussed most months –but progress has been very slow.

February : public transport; obstruction by parking in Sandy Lane; Speed cushions; dog proofing play area; Affordable Housing update.

March: SCC cutbacks re Knettishall Heath & Ixworth library; 4 planning applications; recreation facilities; speedwatch update.

April: Flooding problems reported; new bus timetable; copper & oil thefts; contested election.

May :The May annual meeting heard reports from all councillors and the police for the year. Unfortunately no-one from the village attended and clearly the PC will have to look at how to get more involvement from the village next year. The monthly meeting discussed anti social behaviour on Millfield Green; caretakers report; WOS up project; councillor's roles.

Outdoor play equipment: Equipment will be available Monday to Friday over the summer school holidays. Contact Cllr Cummings (afternoons only) or Cllr Gilbert (10-5) to arrange loan. Also see notices around the village.

Play Area: Drivers and parents please be careful in Sandy Lane as children are playing in the road and exiting the play area without looking.

The Queen's 60th Jubilee : Please let your councillors know if you would like a celebration next year, probably in June and if so what sort of event.

Final Accounts Report 2010-11

Item	Notes	Budget	Expenditure & Income
Clerk's Salary		6465	6380
Insurance		700	648
Office	1	700	835
Subscriptions	2	500	470
Audit		500	435
Training		150	134
Sub Total Admin		9015	8902
Caretaker		6580	6437
Mower		200	73
Playing Field grass		1200	1038
Play Area		500	523
Aggie's Piece		150	89
Cemetery	3	600	555
New Projects/Reserves	4	3400	1485
Other		170	86
Sub total Other		12800	10286
S137	5	200	230
Total Expenditure		22015	19418
Precept		22000	22000
Other Income	6	500	2566
Total Income		22500	24566
Net Expenditure		-485	-5148

Notes on expenditure & income

- 1: includes clerk's expenses, printing & stationery and hire of hall for meetings.
- 2: for SALC, SLCC and Suffolk Acre.
- 3: new hedging and maintenance works.
- 4: expenditure this year was on extra grit bins, grant to Village Hall, outdoor play equipment, & maintenance of church clock and war memorial.
- 5: grants to local organisations such as Suffolk Family carers, Hopton Day Centre and Victim Support.
- 6: includes £2000 locality grant from SCC towards speed cushions in Hopton Road. The speed cushions will be paid for during 2011-12.

Balances (bank accounts plus debtors less creditors) at the beginning of the financial year were £17868 and have been increased by the net under-spend of £5148 to £23016 as at 31st March 2010.

The under-spend is largely due to projects not being able to go ahead during the year. The ongoing projects are the new street light on B1111 and bollards to help stop parking on the grass verge near the shop. The other project is providing more facilities for older children /young adults. This is likely to be on the cricket meadow and has to take into account the existing use of the field as well as finding suitable outdoor equipment. This is a longer term project as it is likely to require outside funding in order to complete it.

Contact Information

The Parish Council meets monthly at the Village Hall at 7.35pm normally on 1st Wednesday of the month.

Parish Clerk – Vicki Gay tel: 01379 898733

Chairman – Brenda Last tel: 01359 221307

Councillors – Kathy Cummings (Vice chairman) 20 Hopton Road.

William Martineau 01359 221495

Lynne Gilbert 01359 221902

Alfie Childs Elvezia, Mill Road

Carol Hammond 43 Bishops Croft

Eddie Sier 1 Bishops Croft

Website: www.onesuffolk.co.uk/BarninghamPC

The website has back copies of the minutes and agendas as well as information on the village. The agenda and minutes are also posted on the PC notice board near the shop and on the one opposite the church.

County Councillor - Mrs Joanna Spicer 01359 230800

St Edmundsbury Borough Cllr - David Ray 01359 250912




Police – 01284 774100 for Community Beat Officers or

www.onesuffolk.co.uk/saferSuffolk/StEdmundsburyRuralNorth.

Please report all anti-social incidents to the police (criminal damage, graffiti, fly tipping, harassment, anti-social drinking and vehicle nuisance, etc). If you see it happening call 999, if you see it after it has happened call 01284 774100.

Parish councillors elected May 2011 for 4 years.

<p>Brenda Last: Chairman. 12 years on PC. Resident since 1988. Worked in local government finance but now retired.</p>	<p>Interests: travel, reading, gardens, knitting, crocheting & sewing.</p>	
<p>Kathy Cummings: Vice chairman. Lived in village for 11 years and have been a parish councillor for 3 years. Previously a farm labourer.</p>	<p>Interests: wildlife, animals, books, game cooking.</p>	
<p>William Martineau: Lived in the village for 39 years & served on Parish Council for 6 years. Occupation retired.</p>	<p>Interests: gardening, architecture and enjoying the country side.</p>	
<p>Lynne Gilbert: Lived in village since 1998 & on PC for 1 year. Currently working as a primary school teaching assistant & also writes for various outlets.</p>	<p>Interests: reading, 'grow your own' gardening, dolls house miniatures, music, video games.</p>	

<p>Alfie Childs: Has lived in the village for 2 years. Worked previously as an H.G.V. driver but now retired.</p>	<p>Interests: sport, gardening, travel and walking.</p>	
<p>Carol Hammond: Resident since 1968, a teacher since 1967 from London. Ran Bardwell playgroup for some years and retiring in July from a Bury Middle School.</p>	<p>Interests: Reading, The Arts, Travel, Education, Exercise, Fun.</p>	
<p>Eddie Sier: Moved to the village in 1973. Involved with the football club for a number of years as secretary. Worked for Warehouse/Distribution company before taking early retirement in 2006.</p>	<p>Interests: grow your own vegetables, fishing, dogs and their training.</p>	

To contact your local councillor please see back page of the newsletter or check on the PC's website.