

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICIES & RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF
BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL
MONDAY 22nd MAY 2017 COMMENCING 8.35PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllrs Mr L Davison-Williams (Vice-Chair), Mrs B. Thomas, Mr J Selley, Mrs G Gardner and Mr R. Everson.

Minutes: Mrs K. Kilby (Assistant Clerk).

17/053 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. – Cllr Mr D. Gunter (Chair)

17/054 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Cllrs may make declarations pertaining to the agenda at this point or at any point during the meeting) – None Received.

17/055 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 27th MARCH 2017.

055.1 PROPOSED by Cllr Davison-Williams, SECONDED by Cllr Thomas and CARRIED with 4 IN FAVOUR and 1 ABSTENTION.

17/056 MATTERS ARISING – None.

17/057 CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE TO CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL REGARDING DRAFT LOCAL PLAN.

057.1 Cllr Davison-Williams advised members that Central Bedfordshire Council ('CBC') is to release the Draft Local Plan on 4th July 2017 for an 8 week consultation period. This would not allow sufficient time for the Council to secure the services of a consultant, produce a report on the Draft Local Plan and approve at Full Council prior to the Council recess in August. Cllr Davison-Williams PROPOSED that he prepare a letter to be sent to CBC expressing the Council's grievances, SECONDED by Cllr Gardner and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. **ACTION: Cllr Davison-Williams to prepare letter for CBC for approval at June Full Council.**

17/058 EXEMPT BUSINESS.

058.1 Resolution to exclude members of press and public from debate on agenda item 17/059, (Standing Order 67) "That in view of the confidential nature of business being transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw".

PROPOSED by Cllr Davison-Williams, SECONDED by Cllr Thomas and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

17/059 CONSIDERATION OF LAND TO BE INCLUDED IN 'CALL FOR SITES'.

059.1 Cllr Davison-Williams advised that he had been approached by CBC enquiring if the Council would be prepared to discuss the possibility of CBC including land leased to the Parish Council in the 'Call for Sites'.

The Committee then discussed the options open to the Council and the advantages and disadvantages of including the land in the 'Call for sites'. After discussion, Cllr Davison-Williams PROPOSED the Parish Council explore the opportunity of land to be included in the 'Call for Sites' process, SECONDED by Cllr Everson and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED. **ACTION: Cllr Davison-Williams to contact CBC to advise of the Parish Councils decision, following ratification at Full Council.**

17/060 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA. – For information only. – None

Meeting Closed 9.50pm

