Draft Minutes of the Barnoldby-le-Beck Annual Parish Meeting held at St Helen's Church, Barnoldby-le-Beck on Monday 9th May 2022 at 7.00PM

01/22 Chairman's Welcome:

The Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr Hood, welcomed those present to the meeting.

02/22 Minutes of the Previous Annual Parish Meeting:

To agree the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 5th May 2021. The minutes were agreed as a true record.

03/22 Annual Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council:

The Chairman presented the Annual Report.

04/22 Village Matters & Questions: To discuss any items pertaining to Barnoldby-le-Beck residents.

No matters were raised.

Barnoldby le Beck Parish Council

Chairmans Report 2021/22

It is some time since we have been able to hold a Parish Meeting in person however the Parish Council has continued to do what they can through the various restrictions over the last year.

Issues around planning and road safety have continued to be the principal concerns, with the Bradley Road development in particular, being an ongoing source of controversy. Whilst controlled development is necessary and inevitable, new builds especially tend to polarise opinion and it is unavoidable that whilst some are going to be happy with decisions reached, others will feel that they have been let down.

Traffic speed through the village has continued to be a matter of discussion. The new roundabout has reduced the number of large goods vehicles using the route, but the speed of cars and motorcycles passing through the village is still a concern. Hopefully the surfacing and marking work to be carried out in the next weeks will go some way to alleviating that.

The Parish Council continues to fund grass cutting and grounds maintenance around the church and has opened up a dialogue with the church authorities in respect of the future of St Helens and potential uses as a centre of community activities. Any initiatives that come out of these talks will of course rely heavily on the support and involvement of the residents and will not be successful if they are left to the Parish Council alone. Coffee mornings, Christmas carol services etc do need to be better attended if we are to see St Helens thrive as a community hub.

The village has benefitted from the donation of a defibrillator which, with the very kind support of the landlord, will shortly be installed outside The Ship Inn to be available for residents, walkers and visitors alike.

Our hard-working Parish Clerk Kim Kirkham has decided to stand down and take life a little easier and on behalf of the Parish Council I would like to thank her for the help and guidance she has given us all over the years, whilst at the same time welcoming our new Clerk Tanya Kuzemczak who I am sure will rise to the challenge of keeping us all in order.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks, to the Parish Councillors for their voluntary efforts on behalf of the village, and to the Ward Councillors for their continued support.

Matt Hood

Chairman