## **Barby Townlands and Educational Charity**

## Minutes of the meeting held by the Trustees on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Trust met at Hopthorne Farm, 18 Kilsby Road, Barby at 7.30pm

Present: Sally Robbins (Chair), Richard Camp (Vice Chair), Graham Sloper, Rob Wilson, Derek Middleton & Cat Sabine (Secretary)

Catherine Lomax (co-opted representative from Barby Charity) did not attend.

1.	Apologies Received from Carol Hamp	
2.	Election of New Chair  Trustees discussed and agreed to a maximum of 3 years of office for the Chair's role moving forwards.  Richard Camp was elected the new Chair.  Graham Sloper – Vice Chair	
	Rob Wilson – next in line for Vice Chair (trustees felt that succession planning was important for the future of the charity.  Trustees all thanked Sally Robbins for her hard work as Chair.	
3.	Declarations of Interest None	
4.	Minutes of last meeting (11 <sup>th</sup> October 2017)  The minutes were agreed to be an accurate record and signed by the Chair, Richard Camp.	
5.	Matters arising from the minutes Orchard – there is a tree from Village Farm coming across the path that needs sorting. Cat to sort with owner of Village Farm.	Cat
6.	Leases Nothing to discuss at this time	
7.	Land Management  a) Allotments – It is renewal time. Fees for this year are £21 (whole) & £10.50 (half)	
	Cat to re-type allotment renewal form & send to Sally  Empty plots still have not been cleared and covered by Steve Hartwell.  Trustees agreed to look elsewhere for this work to be done. Rob Wilson suggested his son Charlie takes over the maintenance of the empty plots.  He is currently studying at Moulton Agricultural College. Trustees all happy to support a young person in his education and agreed to this with Charlie	Cat
	to be paid age appropriate minimum wage for his work. Rob & Sally to meet and discuss work to be done. b) Millennium Orchard – Richard is pruning the trees himself and will also	Rob & Sally
	cut the black thorn. Trees on Mr. Hancock's side are overhanging. Richard will cut back.	Richard
	Richard to also discuss the hedge on Village Farm side with Timbertech.  Wildflower area still needs strimming and raking – Rob & Sally to meet and discuss Charlie doing this also. If the flowers don't grow trustees will need to arrange for it to be re-done.  c) Garage – None	Rob & Sally

	d) Tennis Courts – Grant application in item 12. e) Pasture land – This has been rented again by current tenant for £100 per	
	month. This new contract will start in March & he has agreed to cut hedges as part of the contract.	
	f) Arable land – Graham has asked Howkins & Harrison to get Mr. Evans to fix the broken gate.	
8.	Trustee Application	
	3 applications received in total. Trustees unanimously agreed to elect Jo Martin into the position, due to her skills and links within the community.	
	Cat to contact all applicants and advise of this decision. Richard to contact	Cat
	Jo to organise a tour of the village & explain what the role will involve.	Richard
9.	Accounts	
	Carol sent a message in her absence advising that current account currently has £5,600.00.	
	Cat has now taken over from Carol as Treasurer. <b>Cat &amp; Carol to arrange a</b>	Cat &
	handover ASAP.	Carol
	A question was raised about receiving an annual profit and loss statement.	
10.	Moving forward, Cat to provide this in the January meeting.  Correspondence	
10.	None to discuss	
11.	Grant awarding – young person's grant update	
	Rob provided trustees with a draft letter to head's of appropriate	6.4
	secondary schools (Cat to put together a list of schools for letter to go to.  Must include schools for children with disabilities)	Cat
	Trustees agreed to amend the letter to leave it open so that they can have	
	the cash if they write to trustees rather than just receiving money for books	Richard
	or study aids. They must live within the parish of Barby & Onley (there may	
	<b>be a time limit – Richard to check.)</b> They must be between 16 up to 19 and in full time education. Agreed amount to trial this year is £100.	Cat
	Cat to send letters to heads out at end of April.	Cai
12.	Grants	
	Barby Cricket Club – awarded 2 grants. 1 for an onsite defibrillator £668.79	
	& 1 for a member coaching course £285.	
	Barby Twinning Association – awarded a grant of £200 towards the cost of coach hire for their trip to Vulaine sur Seine.	
	Barby Pre – School – Awarded a grant for a new fence – grant awarded in	
	principle but trustees have asked for quotes for a cast iron fence rather	
	than the wooden quote provided. Wooden fence quote £1494.	
	Barby Cubs & Beavers – they don't appear to have spent the last £800 they were awarded. Trustees would like them to put this money toward the grass	
	sledges & other equipment they have asked for.	
	Barby & Onley Parish Council – Grant awarded for £2,100 for painting of the	
	newly resurfaced court	
13.	AOB Graham suggested that the charity supports a village arts festival with a	Cat &
	variety of events happening over a two week period around both villages.	Carol
	Trustees agreed this could be a good idea but it would need a committee	
	forming to manage this.	
	Graham to draft & send a letter to all village organizations as well as create	Graham
	a poster & put something in the newsletter asking anyone interested to come along to a meeting to discuss. If there is enough interest, the charity	
	come along to a meeting to alscoss. It there is enough interest, the chally	

will support.	
Derek has put up the signs on the park gates and will order more (£120 for 20,) <b>Derek to send the artwork to Cat for safekeeping.</b>	Derek
Spring bulbs have been planted. Cat asked for photos as soon as they grow.	
Carols around the Christmas Tree – great success. Trustees have agreed to take this event on annually & try to increase number of attendees and to make it more child safe by fencing of the area from the road.	
Meeting closed at 9.45	
Next meeting to be held in Jan 2018 – date still to be agreed.	