

Barby Townlands and Educational Charity

Minutes of the meeting held by the Trustees on Monday 27th January 2020 Trust met at Hophorne Cottage, Kilsby Road, Barby

Present: Richard Camp (Chair), Graham Sloper (Vice Chair), Jo Martin, Sally Robbins, Carol Hamp, Derek Middleton & Cat Sabine (Secretary & Treasurer)

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

1.	Welcome & Apologies Apologies received from Rob Wilson	
2.	Declarations of Interest None	
3.	Minutes of the last meeting of 26th November 2019 RC noted that the cost of the Christmas tree was £145, not £135. Other than this minor amendment, the minutes were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by Chair, Richard Camp	
4.	Matters arising from the minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant request form has been updated & sent to Ian for uploading onto website • Cat to chase Cut a Caper for availability & pricing to perform at Apple Day on Sunday 4th October 2020 • Richard has found acrylic apple shaped signs to put on the trees. £8.16 per tree - £326 for approx. 40 trees. Trustees all agreed a sign for each tree. Richard to check if they do other shapes (pear etc.) & order. • Trustees would like a plaque/information board in the orchard, detailing who Townlands are, what land we own, what we do etc. Richard to investigate this also. 	<p style="text-align: center;">CS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RC</p>
5.	Leases Trustees are happy to let the fields to Mr. Burden again this year at the same £100 rate so long as he cuts the hedges. They did note that this amount may need to change once the Rural Payment Grant is stopped. Graham will obtain advice from Howkins & Harrison.	<p style="text-align: center;">GS</p>
6.	Land Management <p>a) Allotments- 2 small plots available. Cat to update renewal form (including changing the path maintenance responsibility) and send to Sally ASAP</p> <p>f) Arable land – hedge laying is complete although they have yet to remove the trimmings. Graham has chased Howkins about this. Bill not yet received & won't be paid until they are removed.</p> <p>e) Pastureland – nothing to report</p> <p>d) Tennis Courts – nothing to report</p> <p>c) Garage – Richard Lightfoot's brother Tim has taken over Graham Lightfoot's role. Graham Sloper will keep an eye on the tyre & car situation and discuss with them if necessary.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CS</p>

	<p>b) Orchard – theatre project: Richard asked trustees on their thoughts on how to move forward with the project. He provided trustees with some costings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To get water down there (meter & line) £2,000 • Power (transformer & meter using the pole in the orchard) approx. £5,000 • Hire of mini digger & driver to grade the slope down £1,000 (4 – 5 days work at £200 per day) <p>It might be possible to get a grant from Daventry District Council, Richard will discuss with Catherine Camp.</p> <p>Graham suggested looking at what gradient would be required – need to be careful not to take too much away if we are looking at doing steps into the ground at a later date.</p> <p>Trustees to continue thinking about this project & discuss at the next meeting.</p>	
7.	<p>Accounts £5,571 in current account as at 17th Jan 2020 & £34,500 in COIF.</p> <p>£81 raised for Hope4 at the Carols Round the Tree event in December.</p>	
8.	<p>Correspondence Thank you letter received from Ian Webb on behalf of Barby Churchyard maintenance for the grant money to cover the cost of the insurance excess on their lawnmower claim.</p>	
9.	<p>Grants Barby Local History Group £133.46 awarded to cover the cost of their exhibition last October.</p> <p>Barby Village Hall £2,500 awarded towards the cost of resurfacing the front car park</p>	
10.	<p>Any Other Business None – meeting closed at 8.40pm</p>	