BARLING MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next meeting of the Barling Magna Parish Council will take place on Thursday 24th April, 2014, in the Barling Magna Village Hall, 432 Little Wakering Road, Barling Magna, Essex, SS3 0LP commencing at 7.30 p.m.

This meeting will be open to the press and members of the public.

ALL MEMBERS of the COUNCIL ARE HEREBY SUMMONSED to

attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder.

Signed: Date: John Watson. Clerk to the Barling Magna Parish Council.

AGENDA

- 1. The Chairman to declare the meeting open.
- 2. To receive apologies for absence.
- 3. To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and with section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- 4. The meeting will stand adjourned to permit Parishioners of Barling Magna to address the Council.
- 5. To receive reports from the County Councillor and the District Councillor for the area on any matters of interest.
- 6. To sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 13th March, 2014 (minutes attached).
- 7. To receive verbal reports from those persons representing the Council on outside bodies and to receive reports on seminars and conferences attended, to include,
 - a. NAP Meeting.
 - b. RHALC.
- 8. Financial Matters To consider and approve:
 - a. Payment requests for March/April, 2014 (schedule to be circulated).
 - b. Bank Reconciliation as at 31st March, 2014 (schedule to be circulated).
 - c. Financial Statement for the twelve months to 31st March, 2014 (*statement to be circulated*).
 - d. To approve signing the Direct Debit Mandate in favour of Essex & Suffolk Water relating to the Wildlife Reserve.

e. To consider the proposal that, in accordance with the Clerk's Contract of Employment, the Clerk be admitted to membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme operated by Essex County Council with effect from 1st May, 2014 and the Clerk be instructed to prepare the appropriate paperwork *(letter from Essex Pension Fund to be circulated).*

9. Village Hall.

- a. To receive a status report from the Clerk re the application for Outline Planning Permission.
- b. To receive a status report from the Clerk re the remedial work required in the Village Hall.
- c. To receive a report from Councillors engaged in fund raising activities and to agree any action to be taken.

10. Clerk's Report.

- a. Freedom of Information Requests.
- b. Purchase of land from Anglia Water.
- c. Appointment of Arboriculturist.

11. Village Sign.

a. To consider the proposal from Councillor Pearmain that the village sign be illuminated and to agree the action to be taken.

12. Social Media.

a. To receive an update from Councillor Bines re the Parish Council's participation in social media sites and to agree the action to be taken

13. First World War Commemoration.

a. To receive an update from the Working Party re the Parish Council participation in events to commemorate the start of the First World War and to agree the action to be taken.

14. Street Lights.

a. To receive a report from the Clerk re the cost of fitting remote controls to the Parish Council Street Lights and to agree the action to be taken.

15. Wildlife Reserve.

a. To receive a verbal report from the Chair and to agree any action to be taken.

16.Car Parking.

a. To consider the parking of cars on roadside footpaths and grass verges and to agree any action to be taken.

17. Footpath to the west of the Old Shoulder Stick.

a. To consider the lack of a footpath to the west of the Old Shoulder Stick and to agree any action to be taken.

18. Recycling Banks.

a. To consider the letter dated 26th March, 2014 from Rochford District Council re the location of recycling banks and to agree any action to be taken (copy circulated previously).

19. Review of Standing Orders/Financial Regulations/Code of Conduct.

a. To consider the proposed new Standing Orders, Financial Regulations/Code of Conduct and to agree the action to be taken (*copies to be circulated*).

20. Tolhurst Fisher.

a. To consider, approve and sign the Tolhurst Fisher terms of business and letter of appointment *(copies to be circulated).*

21. Pop-up Library.

a. To consider operating a pop-up library in conjunction with the monthly Farmers Market and to agree the action to be taken.

22. Crucial Crew.

a. To consider making a donation to the Crucial Crew project (details to be circulated).

23. Speeding.

a. To consider the problem of speeding in the Parish and to agree any action to be taken.

24. Planning Applications.

a. To consider Planning Applications received since the last meeting (schedule to be circulated).

25. Correspondence.

a. To consider any correspondence received since the last meeting *(details to be circulated)*.

26. At the Chairman's discretion to exchange information.

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and the public be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

27. Gratuity for Previous Clerk

a. To consider the letter dated 9th February, 2014 from the previous Clerk and to agree the action to be taken *(letter to follow).*

Date of next meeting – 29th May, 2014 – Annual Council Meeting.

Issued 14th April, 2014