Baumber Parish Council - Draft Minutes of Ordinary Meeting. Parish Clerk – Melvin Grosvenor 01507 578657.

Draft Minutes of Ordinary Baumber Parish Council Meeting on **Wednesday 23 July 2025** commenced at 7:30 pm at Baumber Village Hall.

Those present: Chairman Cllr M Harrison, Vice Chairman Cllr M Jones, Cllr M Baverstock, Cllr C Smith, ELDC Cllr W Gray.

Clerk: Mr M Grosvenor. Member of Baumber Village Hall Committee.

0725/22 Apologies for absence.

Apologies received: Cllr T Cuttell, Cllr G Wilbourn & Cllr N Oliver.

0725/23 Public Participation.

No public participation.

0725/24 Declaration of Interest.

No Declarations noted.

0725/25 Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Minutes of Annual Parish Council & Ordinary meetings held on Wednesday 21 May 2025 approved and signed as a true record.

0725/26 Clerks report on matters outstanding:

Ref 0324/66 Update: b) Speed Limit reduction: Update: LCC Highways currently in the process of arranging the installation of the new speed limit signs on West Lane (30mph) and B1225 - Silver St (40mph). Update: 04/02/2025: 'Highways team have surveyed the area alongside the new TRO plans and can arrange the following when the new speed limits signage is installed. The Village Name Plate and the Wolds sign will be moved together to make a gateway effect at the south end of the village. This will minimise the number of posts here and neaten the area. The other new Village Name Plate will be moved to the north end and put with the new speed limit signs. These works do take some time, so we expect these to be completed within the first half of the year'. Update: 25 June 2025. New 30mph & 40mph speed limit signs installed on West Lane & B1225 - Silver Street as detailed above. Noted: 23/07/2025 - new 40mph sign on entrance to West Lane incorrectly installed- should be a No Entry sign.

Update: 0724/27 . Public Participation item a) Resident of Silver St Baumber - B1225 raised significant concerns regarding speeding traffic causing noise and threats to resident's safety, whilst walking and accessing their properties on the narrow footpath, which is only wide enough for one person. This narrow footpath is in a poor condition and is caked in mud and debris from the spray of water and muck from fast moving traffic, which has built up over a long period and exacerbated by the repeated flooding of part of Silver St. The spray is also splattering over the walls, front doors and windows of those properties with no front gardens and directly adjacent to the road surface RF. - Agreed to initiate works to improve condition of footpath which was agreed to be essential. Update: 23 October 2024. Cllr Bradwell advised meeting that the works are in hand but there appears to be an issue with the limited width of the footpath which is not compliant with current Highways regulations. Jan 2025 Cllr MJ & Clerk Observations. LCC Highways have undertaken repair patching of small areas of footpath in front of the row of houses adjacent to the road surface. 21/05/2025 Cllr N Oliver agreed to chase improvement works to clear footpath to improve access and amenity. **Update:** Clerk to meet Cllr N Oliver on site.

0725/27 Update: 0525/20 (Minor Items).

Cllr's M Baverstock & C Cuttell raised concerns regarding the rapid deterioration of the newly resurfaced Footpath No 90 by LCC. Cllr N Oliver has raised the matter with LCC. Clerk submitted report on 27 May & received a response confirming the matter has been referred to the contractor. Update: LCC have initiated remedial works.

Update ref: **0524/15** -1022/50 B1225/A158 junction permanent street lights switch off. LCC Highways confirmed existing A158 redundant lights (29-43) to be removed, Clerk received the following response 28/05/2024:

'Your ongoing concerns about the impact of switching off the lights at the junction are noted. As previously indicated, this is necessary to allow for the removal of the lights already switched off in the vicinity as a part of the Street Lighting Transformation project in 2016/17, as they are all on the same cable system.

As a result of a swift response from LRSP, with no concerns being raised by them, and in order to make the change during the shorter nights, we have this morning been informed that the lights in question were in fact switched off last week on Thursday 23 May 2024. We can assure you that we will now be monitoring the impact of this using information from LRSP and no permanent removal of any of the columns will take place for at least twelve months. Matter for review May/June 2025 to chase. **Update**: Clerk has chased Highways and the matter is in hand.

0725/28 Financial Statement at 23/07/2025.

| Description | DR/CR/Ref | Amount £ |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Bank Reconciliation 27/06/2025 5809.21 | | |
| Note: Balance Includes Cllr W Gray Funding Traffic Calming signs 850. | | 850.00 |
| ELDC Precept 2025/26 Received 24/04/2025 | CR | 3267.60 |
| Balance C/F | | 9076.81 |
| Invoices/payments 21/05/2025 | | |
| LALC Annual Subscription 2025/26 | DR 391 | 84.18 |
| LALC Annual Training Scheme 2025/26 | DR 391 | 132.00 |
| Annual Insurance renewal 01/06/2025 * Ref: b) | DR 392 | 214.00 |
| 1st Stage Clerk Remuneration 2025/26 | DR 393 | 1306.00 |
| TQ Services Village Grass cut 28/04/2025 | DR 394 | 228.00 |
| Internal AGAR & Accounting Audit 2024/25 | DR 395 | 50.00 |
| ICO Annual registration fee debited 16/05/2025 | DD | 47.00 |
| Sub Total | DR | 2061.18 |
| Balance B/F | | 9076.81 |
| Balance C/F | | 7015.63 |
| Payments/Invoices due 23/07/2025 | | |
| Clerk Admin Expenses April/May/June/July 2025 | DR 396 | 46.80 |
| LIVES Invoice Defib Pads. | DR 397 | 87.59 |
| TQ Services Village Grass - no cut | DR | 0 |
| Bank charges 10 May - 9 June | DR | 6.75 |
| Sub Total | | 141.14 |
| Balance C/F | | 6874.49 |

0725/28 Financial Statement cont/..

- a) Approved Invoices/Payments due.
- b) Update regarding LIVES Annual Maintenance contract to be provided at the next meeting.
- c) Update re Grass cutting services to be provided at next meeting.

c) Notification by Bank - Bank Charges to be applied to account = £6.75...

0725/29 Planning.

1. 02411/25/FUL Western View, Silver Street, Baumber.

Planning Permission - Change of use, conversion of and extensions and alterations to existing detached games room/store to form a dwelling house in connection with the principle dwelling. Circulated submitted plans by email - Clerk's request for extension of consultation date from 17/07/25 to 24/25 July for Members to consider denied. Clerk submitted consultation response based on Member's email comments.

2. 02174/25/FUL Baumber Village Hall West Lane Baumber.

Planning Permission - Erection of a Storage Shed.

Members considered application and *Resolved*: to support in principle, but for the proposed location of the shed to be positioned at the southern end of the Village Hall, between the hall and the West Lane hedgerow and adjacent to the Eastern boundary hedgerow. This position would be less visually intrusive and would minimise the reduction in car park spaces. The installed shed should be of green metal construction with an apex roof. Clerk submitted response 02/06/25. Decision 25 June Submitted plans approved.

3. Update ref: 0524/18 - S/079/01078/22 LAND ADJACENT SOTBY WOODS HATTON. Planning Permission - Installation of a temporary ground mounted 49.9MW solar farm with associated infrastructure, construction of vehicular accesses, CCTV cameras on 4m high poles a 15m high communications tower and security fencing to a maximum height of 2.2m. Update: Planning committee convened on 04/10/2024 - Officer's recommendation to approve - Majority Committee decision to refuse on the grounds of landscape impacts & Setting of Grade 2 listed Corner Farm and historic agricultural barn with conversion consent for recreational/holiday accommodation. Update. Decision letter published 31/10/2024. Refused consent. Update 07/05/2025: Appeal ref no: AP/02008/25/REF to Secretary of State against refusal by ELDC. Local resident group participating as a Rule 6 Party.

Members *Resolved*: to continue objection and support the Community case at the Appeal.

4. Update ref: 20/21/05 Manor Farm Lincoln Road Baumber - Alleged 5 Contraventions of Development Consent. - Case update still awaited from ELDC Development Control. Members considered concerns raised regarding the felling of the line of approximately 20 trees lining the internal access to Manor Farm.

0725/30 ref: 0525/18 Un - adopted historical footpath West Lane - St Swithin's - kissing gate & access to Footpath 92. **Update:** 10/10/24 Clerk posted to the 2 involved landowners Service of Notice of Application for Modification Order - Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) with covering letter requesting support for application. 23/10/2024 Clerk has submitted all completed forms and resident's evidence to the Definitive Map Officer LCC. **Update:** Ref Agenda Item **0125/49 Public Participation.** b) Representation by Resident & landowner of Baumber House and adjacent land in respect of agenda item **0125/55 - ref: 1024/44** *Un - adopted historical footpath West Lane - St Swithin's - kissing gate & access to Footpath 92 Adoption application in progress*. Reported damage and removal of replacement fencing by person/s unknown and withdrawal of support for footpath adoption application. Clerk provided Members of details of previous site meeting with landowner suggesting reinstatement of the fencing and retaining continued access to footpath with potential financial support provided by Baumber PC. Members reiterated willingness to provide financial support for reinstatement of damaged fence and provision of approved kissing gate, to maintain a positive working relationship between

BPC and the landowner, whilst the application for the adoption of the footpath is in progress to facilitate the continuation of this valued historical local and public amenity.

Update: 15/05/2025. Exchanges of emails between LCC & landowner confirm that:

- a) LCC has agreed to provide an approved kissing gate FOC.
- b) The landowner has confirmed acceptance of the installation on boundary fence of the existing permissive footpath, but is not in support of the DMMO application for the Adoption of the footpath.
- c) Clerk has notified LCC of approval of installation of the specified kissing gate which has been delivered ready for installation.
- d) Clerk has been liaising with qualified contractor to arrange the installation and confirm the cost of the installation which can be funded from available BPC's reserves ref: Agenda item 0525/17.
- e) Clerk has written to the adjacent landowner who visited the site and consented for the Kissing Gate to be installed at the boundary fence.

0725/31 Correspondence.

None of note.

0725/32 Minor Items.

Cllr M Jones raised concerns regarding overgrown and rat infested condition of the derelict Red Lion site. Clerk to submit complaint to ELDC Enforcement & Environmental Heath.

0725/33 Date of Next Meeting/s:

Ordinary Parish Council Meetings: 22 October 2025. All Parish Council meetings commence at 7.30pm at Baumber Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.