

Barkway Parish Council

Appendix A - To the Parish Council Meeting

held on Tuesday 10th March 2026

Notes from the meeting of the Carriage Wash Restoration Working Group

Held in the Community Room on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 @ 7.30pm

1. Attendance:

Cllr. Bill Dennis

Cllr. Louise Fletcher

Cllr. Graham Swann

Cllr. Jennie Cox

Cllr. Peter Baker

Clerk/RFO Catharine Toms

2. Apologies:

None

3. To receive summary as to current position with the project

A site visit attended by the Structural Engineer and the Ecologist had taken place on 10th February. Reports were now awaited from Ed Morton of The Morton Partnership Structural Engineers and Steve Parnwell Ecologist Greenwillows Associates Ltd.

In addition to providing a detailed schedule of works and specification at a quoted price of £3,220.00 + VAT, Ed Morton had also been asked to quote for assisting in procuring the works and then administering the works over the contract period.

A quotation had been received from Greenwillows of £394.60 + VAT for ecological services to include a site visit, consultation with Natural England and providing a summary email.

4. To receive report on current funding position

Current funding stood at £14,004.97. In addition to this a further £5,000 to be allocated from Barkway Parish Council in 2026/27 and £7,000 promised from the Stansted Airport Community Fund and The Hundred Parishes Society. Total funding to date £26,004.97.

There was further funding available from The Pilgrim's Trust but the project would need to be underway to secure this by August 2026.

5. To agree suitable grant funding avenues and agree action to follow up and by whom

JC had investigated the possibility of applying for a grant from the Heritage Lottery where applications could be made for grants between £10k and £250k.

Submit an initial enquiry to Heritage Lottery. **Action JC**

Attend Heritage Lottery Application Webinar on 5th March 2026. **Action JC**

Community fund raising 'Buy a Brick' campaign to be investigated. **Action WD**

Approach Redrow for some possible funding. **Action GS**

6. To agree next stage to progress the project and agree any action required and by whom

Chase Ed Morton and Steve Parnwell for their reports. **Action JC**

Put together a project plan. **Action JC/CT**

Raise awareness of the project at Barkway Market. **Action PB**

Prepare wording for signage at Barkway Market. **Action LF**

7. Any other business

None

8. Date of next meeting

One week after reports have been received from Ed Morton and Steve Parnwell

The meeting closed at 8.27pm