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## BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Barcombe Parish Council's Full meeting, held at the Sports Pavilion on the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

**Attendees:** Cllrs Holman, Parsons, Smith, Sokoloff, Stewart.

### MINUTES

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs Ashbee, Skan.
  2. **Confirmation and signature** of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 13<sup>th</sup> of September 2023. The Minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
  3. **Actions update.**
    - **Graffiti on play equipment.** The caretaker has removed as much as possible.
    - **Future of pavilion.** An initial meeting has been held and a working group will be formed. Grant opportunities for the pavilion were shared by the Clerk.
    - **All-weather path on Recreation Ground.** It was agreed to fund this from the current account.
  4. **Questions from Councillors.** None
  5. **Questions from Electorate.** None
  6. **Subject Reports.**
    - **Footpaths.** Cllr Smith will inspect the lower recreation footpath and discuss possible improvements with the Monday Group. **Action:** Cllr Smith will explore the possibility of working with the Monday Group to install dog gates on certain stiles across the parish.
    - **Pavilion.** An initial meeting has been held with users to discuss the future development of the pavilion. A group of volunteers will be formalised to take plans forward.
    - **Recreation.** It was **agreed** to accept Playsafe's quotation of £10,085.00 plus VAT to provide an all-weather path adjacent to the playground and to add astroturf to the freestanding goal. Please note: One councillor abstained. **Action:** Clerk to chase installation of compost bins.
- Planning Appeal, 'Blackcurrant Field' site. Date November 14<sup>th</sup> 2023, Village Hall.**
- Cllr Holman will speak at the appeal to re-present the statement made at the start of the planning application process. **Action:** Cllr Sokoloff will respond to the Environmental Study on behalf of the Parish Council.
7. **Proposal:** Provide grant to Barcombe Bonfire Society to cover cost of road closure, £250.00. **Action:** Clerk to obtain copy of invoice from Lewes District Council.
  8. **Authorise payment(s):**
    - Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, October 2023, £718.47
    - Julia Shelley, Household expenses, October £76.16
    - Tim Austin, Caretaking September, £389.63
    - ESALC, Councillor Training, £48.00
    - PKF, External Audit, £804.00
    - Rob Peck, Internal Audit, £250.00
    - Chubb, Fire extinguisher service, £197.20
    - EDF Electricity, £49.77
    - John Church, Hand drier fitting, £500
    - Andy Holman, Bicycle rack, £239.52

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*Proposed and seconded: Cllr Stewart, Cllr Holman*

**8. Correspondence:** Letter received from resident regarding the following.

- a) *Condition of zip wire area: Action.* Strimmed and weeded
- b) *Footpath at end of recreation ground. Action:* Cllr Smith to inspect. Existing raised walkway was installed in the last few years
- c) *Lack of involvement of young people in village sports.* It was noted that both stoolball and cricket have younger members. **Action:** Clerk to email resident.

*The meeting closed at 20.45*

**Next Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023**