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BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Barcombe Parish Council's Full meeting held at the Sports Pavilion on the 9th February 2022, immediately following the Planning Meeting.

Attendees: Cllrs Arbenz, Bennington, Cornwell, Holman, Skan, Stewart, Stroud, Pack, Parsons. Also present: Cllrs Linington and Milligan, plus approximately six members of the public.

MINUTES

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Smith.
- 2. Confirmation and signature of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Tuesday 11th January 2022:**
The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
- 3. Action Matrix:** The remaining outstanding issues were covered in the main Agenda.
- 4. Questions from Councillors**
Cllr Arbenz reported that the Chair of the Sports Hall Committee is standing down. A replacement is sought.
- 5. Questions from Electors**
The Parish Council was asked about progress on improving the poor condition of the playground. Cllrs Holman and Stewart provided an update on both the plans for tidying the current play equipment and the strategy for funding a full replacement before the end of 2022.
- 6. Subject Reports**

Environment:

- **The '20's Plenty' traffic speed campaign.**
Proposal: Barcombe Parish Council supports the 20's Plenty Campaign. **Agreed.**
Action: Clerk to write to East Sussex County Council to register the Parish Council's support.
- Cllr Bennington will continue to discuss options for **maintaining Barcombe bus service.**
Action: Cllr Bennington and Clerk to meet to agree process for sharing the survey.
Action: Clerk to draft Google Form for bus survey.
- **School Wildlife Project.** The Council is very supportive of the children creating a wildlife area on the recreation ground. One suggested area is the verge alongside the path between the cricket score box and WAB.
Action: Cllr Bennington to co-ordinate with the school.

Finance: The clerk reported that the precept request had been sent to Lewes District Council. No comment had been received to date.

Good Neighbours & WI: Cllr Skan reported that when she steps down, the Good Neighbours group would like a replacement representative from the Parish Council. The **WI litter pick** will take place on the weekend of the 19th/20th March 2022.

Planning: The Community Liaison Group will meet Rydon Homes to discuss possible layout, flood management and other reserved matters regarding land north of the High Street. Formal responses will be made by the Parish Council when individual reserve matter applications are made to Lewes District Council.

Playground: Three quotations have been received and the Working Group will meet in late February to select a preferred supplier for both the playground and WAB area. The full application for a CIL grant will be made based on the preferred option. The balance of the costs will be covered by ring-fenced Parish Council reserves, plus other local fundraising.

Recreation: A volunteer has filled the depression at the end of the concrete apron in Barcombe Mills car park with MOT, an action which is greatly appreciated by the Parish Council. Damage to the grass car park area has been

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reported to the police via the Barcombe PCSO. It was agreed that the Parish Council will meet at Barcombe Mills in the next few weeks to discuss longer term improvements at the site.

Action: Agree date to meet at Barcombe Mills.

Services: The damaged heater in the Sports Pavilion has been repaired. A quote for external lighting for the playground has been received and will be considered when the playground has been re-furbished.

Chairman's Report: There has been an approach from East Sussex Police for representatives to join the Community Safety Action Groups. When the meeting dates are circulated in March, the Parish Council will identify a volunteer.

7. Administration, including accounts for payment:

Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, January 2022, £705.90

Julia Shelley, Household expenses, January 2022. £45.31

Tim Austin, Cleaning/caretaking December 2022, £344.99

J. Cornwell, Christmas Tree, £54.00

Proposed by Cllr Pack, seconded by Cllr Holman

8. Correspondence

A request has been received to support the Queens Canopy for the Jubilee project by planting a tree. The Parish Council agreed to plant two trees.

Action: Cllr Bennington and Clerk to identify a site and select the tree species.

The meeting closed at 22.20