

# BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Barcombe Parish Council's Full Meeting held in the Sports Pavilion on the 16th July 2025, immediately following the Planning Meeting.**

**Attendees:** Cllrs Alexander, Gywnn, Holman, Sokoloff; Julia Shelley (Clerk)

## MINUTES

**1. Apologies:** Cllrs Arnold, Parsons, Skan, Smith

**2. Declarations of Interest:** None

**3. Confirmation and signature of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting** of Wednesday 25th June 2025: The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

**4. Questions from Councillors:** None.

**5. Questions from Electorate:** None

### **6. Subject Reports:**

**Active Travel:** Cllr Gywnn is involved in a group exploring the best approach to creating traffic-free paths. Good groundwork is being laid, and the group may consider the creation of a Community Interested Company. A recommendation is the creation of a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. These give technical guidance which allows for community wishes to be recorded in a statutory way. **Action:** Add Cllr Gywnn to the Neighbourhood Planning Working Group.

**Environment:** A useful discussion took place as Councillors reviewed how to maximise wild areas within the parish's open spaces, without impacting on residents' access and enjoyment. The management plans for the village, recreation ground and Wild About Barcombe will be reviewed over the coming months, with mowing and hedging scheduled to reflect the discussion.

**Cllr Alexander** updated the meeting on the evolving community energy group developments.

**Barcombe Mills:** It was confirmed that a cycle rack would be installed, part-funded by Lewes District Council. The Parish Council is also considering the addition of a new notice board containing local walking plans, a donation opportunity and reminders to 'take litter your home'.

### **7. Proposals:**

a) Ratify decision to purchase additional fencing for playgroup: quotation circulated. **Approved.**

b) Consider the installation of rubbish bins at Barcombe Mills. Costs and potential risk of fly-tipping were discussed; it was agreed to take no action and continue routine review. **Not Approved.**

### **8. Finance**

The Clerk prior to the meeting submitted the following financial papers:

a) Payments and receipts for June

b) Performance against budget as at end of financial year (Cont/...)

- c) Statement for Bank and Savings account
- d) Reconciliation for both Bank and Savings account

*Items a), c) and d) were signed by Cllr Sokoloff during the meeting. Proposed and seconded: Cllrs Gywnn and Holman*

**9. Correspondence:** None

*The meeting closed at 9.30pm*

**Next meeting: date TBA**