

COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th January 2017- Approved

Present

Elena Softley– Chairman
 Michael Green – Vice Chairman
 Simon Oliver
 Rachel Whitehead
 Alan Revell
 Deborah Phillips
 Cllr Bishop
 Julia Sharpe - Clerk

Members of the Public – None

No.	Item	Minutes	Action								
1/17	Apologies	Cllr Hudspeth									
2/17	Questions from the Public	None									
3/17	Register of Interests	None									
4/17	Minutes of the last meetings	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14th December 2016 were read and signed as correct.									
5/17	Clerks report and progress on actions	<p>Horns Lane corner – OCC have agreed to repaint the white lines on the bend in the new financial year – budget permitting.</p> <p>Highways obstruction – Oak House, The Green – report again to OCC.</p> <p>Posts outside Green Close – It was agreed to slightly lower the posts and add reflective tape. Councillors to agree height and Simon Oliver to liaise with Paul Merry.</p> <p>Broadband cabinet – awaiting response from Cllr Dingwall.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>SO</p>								
6/17	Report from County Councillor	Not present – January report circulated, no matters arising. Report available on www.ianhudspeth.com/id11.html									
7/17	Report from District Councillor	<p>Cllr Bishop reported that the District Council had been concerned with the final preparations for the 2017/18 budget. Final details awaiting approval of the full Council. There were no specific issues relating to Combe. Cllr Bishop’s full report will be available in the Courier.</p> <p>Cllr Bishop reported that John Hoy had left Blenheim. Michael Green said that Dominic Hare had been appointed into his position and it was agreed to invite him to a meeting.</p>	MG								
8/17	Planning Applications	<p>Applications – None</p> <p>Decisions – None</p>									
9/17	To Approve Payments and Note Sums Received	<p>Payments</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">J. Sharpe – Wages (December – Standing Order)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£196</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC (PAYE)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£391.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bank Charges</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Volunteer Link Up Donation</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£30</td> </tr> </table> <p>Received – Nil</p>	J. Sharpe – Wages (December – Standing Order)	£196	HMRC (PAYE)	£391.20	Bank Charges	£1	Volunteer Link Up Donation	£30	VAT
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	Approval of quarterly accounts and summary payments	The quarterly payments and receipts accounts and summary of payments report were circulated. Simon Oliver proposed that they be accepted, Michael Green seconded the proposal, all were in agreement and a resolution passed.									

10/17	Play Park Update	Anne-Marie Ferrett reported that the lock is still missing and concern about the rocks flaking leaving sharp edges and damage to the wooden logs caused by people picking at them. Simon Oliver reported that the lock had been purchased and was waiting fixing. It was agreed that the Councillors would look at the rocks and take necessary action.	SO ALL
11/17	Speed Campaign	The Chairman circulated the response from James Wright. Following discussion and in the first instance it was agreed to arrange to meet with James Wright to discuss undertaking a speed survey to evaluate the number and speed of vehicles passing through the village at key points and times. The Parish Council is very keen to pursue a 20mph speed limit and to deter vehicles using the village as a rat run especially in light of potential large housing developments in surrounding villages. Clerk to confirm availability of PCSO for February meeting.	ES JS
12/17	Village Spring Clean	It was agreed to join the Great British Spring Clean event on Saturday 4 th March. Clerk to register and obtain information and posters. Clerk to liaise with WODC for litter pickers and other equipment. Alan Revell agreed to liaise with the school.	JS AR
13/17	The Pound Gate	It was agreed to obtain quotes for a replacement oak gate in the same style.	JS
14/17	Annual Review of Clerk's Wages	Following discussion Michael Green proposed that taking into considering the length of service and experience raising the Clerks wages in line with the NALC spinal column point 21 from April 2107 (£10.46 per hour). Deborah Phillips seconded the proposal, all were in agreement and a resolution passed.	
15/17	Correspondence	Letter of thanks from PCC - File Hanborough PC – Grass Cutting – February agenda	JS
16/17	Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 8 th February at 7.30 in the Reading Room, Combe	