

## COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Approved

### Present

Elena Softley– Chairman  
 Michael Green – Vice Chairman  
 Simon Oliver  
 Rachel Whitehead  
 Anne-Marie Ferrett  
 Julia Sharpe - Clerk

Members of the Public – None

No.	Item	Minutes	Action
191/15	Apologies	Cllr Hudspeth, Cllr Bishop	
192/15	Questions from the Public	Little Lane – complaint regarding horse owners walking/riding along the Little Lane damaging the grass verge and missing No Horses sign at the Orchard Close end– item in the courier, investigate who is using the lane and look into the possibility of replacing the sign.	JS
193/15	Register of Interests	None	
194/15	Minutes of the last meetings	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February were read and signed as correct.	
195/15	Clerks report and progress on actions	<p><b>Posts at end of path across little green</b> – awaiting response from OCC.</p> <p><b>Chatterpie Lane ditch</b> – Letter to landowners – awaiting response. Clerk to contact WODC.</p> <p><b>Lane to Lower Wesfield Farm</b> – Thames Water responded saying that a larger vehicle than normal had been used to transport a filter arm. Drivers to be made aware of soft verges.</p> <p><b>Parking at Combe Gate</b> – PCSO's to be contacted on 101 when there are problems. Blenheim noted the complaint. Michael Green offered to put some additional signs in the area.</p> <p><b>Dog Poster and letter</b> – a number of posters have been put up and the letter is ready should it be needed. It was agreed to consider additional areas for dog waste bins.</p> <p><b>Projector for planning applications</b> – final specification agreed. Clerk to order and invoice WODC.</p> <p><b>Clean for the Queen Update</b> – a very successful day with over 30 sacks of rubbish collected. The feedback was very positive and decision made to hold an annual village spring clean event. Simon Oliver said that a drain cover by the Railway station is missing – Clerk to report to OCC.</p> <p><b>Posts in Square Firs</b> – land belongs to Cottsway and they have no plans to install posts.</p> <p><b>Overgrown trees in Square Firs</b> – Cottsway have agreed to remove the trees in the near future.</p> <p><b>Villager Bus</b> – Item for the April agenda.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>MG</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p>
196/15	Report from County Councillor	The County Councillor was unable to attend; his monthly report was discussed and will be made available on the Parish Council web-site.	JS
197/15	Report from District Councillor	The District Councillor was unable to attend but provided a report which will be made available in the Combe Courier.	JS
198/15	Planning Applications	<b>Applications</b> – 16/00482/FUL – Whittons, Park Road – Change of use to domestic and new vehicle access – No	

		objections or comments. <b>Decisions – 16/00219/FUL – 18 Stonesfield Road - Granted</b>	
199/15	To Approve Payments and Note Sums Received	<b>Payments</b> OALC Annual Subscription    £134.54 <b>VAT</b> Volunteer Link Up                    £30                                    £22.42 J. Sharpe                                    £246 (Wages & web-site renewal) CFO Annual Subscription    £55 WODC                                    £82.28                                £13.71 (October Grass Cutting) <b>Received – Nil</b>	
200/15	Play Park Update	Anne-Marie Ferrett reported that the swings required oiling. It was agreed to purchase the necessary oil to enable this to be done.	JS
201/15	Methodist Chapel/CCH Update	The Chairman reported that the market price had been raised to £185k and that Best and Final bids are required by 25 <sup>th</sup> March. The CCH Committee are meeting on Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> to prepare the village bid.	
202/15	Queens 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations	Andrew and Victoria Smith from the pub have expressed an interest in arranging a village event. No other volunteers have been forthcoming. Clerk to arrange a meeting to discuss.	JS
203/15	Web-Site Content	It was agreed to keep the current web-site provider, update the photograph gallery, add an item about the playpark and generally update the content and review in 6 months.	MG/JS
204/15	Annual Parish Meeting	It was agreed to add an item for the Community Hub to the agenda. Michael Green to ask Roger File if he would like to attend. No other suggestions for a speaker. Clerk to contact Dick Tracey to arrange an AED training morning.	MG JS
205/15	Urgent Correspondence	Tower Mint Ltd –Commemorative medal for the Queen’s 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday – It was agreed not to place an order at this time. Matthew Harris – Sign Cleaning- File	
206/15	Next Meeting	The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 7.30 in the Reading Room, Combe	