

# COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020 - approved

## Present

Elena Softley (ES) – Chairman  
Alan Revell (AR) – Vice Chairman  
Michael Green (MG)  
Deborah Phillips (DP)  
Denise Cripps (DC)  
John Hunt (JH)  
Julia Sharpe - Clerk  
Members of the Public – Nil

## 203/20 Apologies

None

## 204/20 Questions from the Public

None

## 205/20 Register of Interests

None

## 206/20 Minutes of the last meetings

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2020 were read and signed as correct

## 207/20 Clerks report and progress on actions

**Website progress** – the Clerk reported that the new website was now live although some minor alterations were still outstanding. Due to technical problems caused by withdrawal of MRSite, support emails are being accessed by GSuite as an interim measure at a cost of £4.40 per month. It was agreed to pursue email through the website via Tsohost.

**Action – Clerk to continue with enquiries and website amendments**

**Playpark** – JH reported that the inspections had been carried out and there were no outstanding issues other than he had been asked to tighten the zip wire.

**Action – JH as above**

**Village maintenance – playing field wall** – JH reported that the quote had been sent but returned as the Parish Council email address had been unavailable.

**Action – JH to resend the quote**

**Swan Bridge** – vegetation clearance – it was agreed that there had been an improvement but that work was still outstanding.

**Action – Chairman to follow-up with land owner**

**Hatwells** – coffee bar – it was agreed to decline the offer as the local pub is now open and offering a similar service.

**Action – Clerk to notify owner of coffee bar**

**Verges at junctions** – work completed with the assistance of MG

**Footpath/No Horses signs** – signs erected

**Winter Salt** – it was agreed that there was no need for additional salt this year. Road-side salt bins to be checked.

**Action – Clerk to check bins and notify OCC**

**Cycle Routes** – the possibility of cycle routes through the park to Woodstock and Hanborough station were discussed. Clerk has already notified Sustainable Woodstock of the village's interest.

**Action – Agenda item for September**

## 208/20 Planning Applications

None

## 209/20 To Approve Payments and Note Sums Received

<b>Payments</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>VAT</b>
J. Sharpe – Clerks wages - June (SO)	£224.24	
J. Sharpe - Zoom licence	£14.39	
Combe Reading Room – Hire fees	£40.50	
WODC – Election fees	£689.48	
Cotswold Line subscription	£15	
WODC – Grass cutting – June	£405.46	£67.58
P. Merry – Post repair – July	£20	
<b>Received – Nil</b>		

The Chairman proposed approval of the 2020/21 First Quarter Accounts and Summary Payments. AR seconded the proposal; all were in agreement and a Resolution was passed.

## 210/20 Speedwatch Update

AR reported that the updated quote from Solagen had been received and it was agreed to place the order the two devices. The exact locations in Stonesfield Road and Akeman Street to be decided on the parish walk and in consultation with OCC Highways.

**Action – All to agree location and clerk to liaise with OCC. Clerk to place order.**

## 211/20 Village Design Statement Update

DP reported that there had been little progress due to the summer break.

**Action - Agenda item for September**

## 212/20 WODC CIL Report

The Chairman proposed that in light of the recent white paper and its likely impact on planning that this item be postponed until the September agenda. All were in agreement.

**Action – Agenda item for September**

## 213/20 Urgent Correspondence

None

## 214/20 Next Meeting

The next meeting of Combe Parish Council will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room, Combe or if the current restrictions still apply the meeting will be a virtual meeting hosted by Zoom.

**PARISH WALK - 2020**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Problem</b>	<b>Action</b>
Little Green	Overhanging/damaged branch	JH to remove
Little Green	Gigaclear cover	No action required
Alma Grove Field	Ivy growing up trees	Clerk to notify Blenheim
Stonesfield Road/Knott Oaks	Colour of tarmac repair to footpath by Gigaclear not in keeping	DC to contact Gigaclear