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BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Barcombe Parish Council Full Meeting held at the Sports Pavilion on the 11th January 2021, immediately following the Planning Meeting.

Attendees: Cllrs Bennington, Cornwell, Holman, Skan, Smith, Stewart; also present Cllrs Linington and Milligan

MINUTES

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs Stroude, Pack, Parsons
2. **Confirmation and signature of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Wednesday 8th December 2021.**
The Minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
3. **Action Matrix**
The Clerk provided an update on the progress of the Queen’s Jubilee road closure.
The remaining outstanding issues were covered in main Agenda.
4. **Questions from Councillors**
Cllr Skan and the Clerk provided an update on the situation regarding the Barcombe Recreation Ground Charity which was started by the Sports Council. The Charity has been inactive since 2014, so is in default as no accounts have been returned. No data can be traced at this stage. It is proposed that a meeting to dissolve the Charity is held after the February Parish Council meeting: the Clerk will then endeavour to find the correct way to close the charity.
Action: Clerk to issue a dissolution notice for the Barcombe Recreation Ground Charity.
Cllr Skan has reported the locations of the defibrillators to The British Heart Foundation.
5. **Questions from Electors**
The Parish Council was asked about the timings for the planned improvements to the Sports Pavilion. It was explained that these have been deferred until the playground improvements have been completed.
The installation of a ventilator in the Sports Pavilion was discussed. The subject will be added to the February Agenda.
Action: Clerk to circulate information on ventilator systems, Cllr Pack to review and make a recommendation.
The issue of drug use and anti-social behaviour was raised. The Council discussed local concerns about anti-social behaviour in several locations in the village including the playground and the Recreation Ground car park. There is an active investigation by the police into the problem. All instances should be logged with the Police either using 101 or online at <https://www.sussex.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us/>. PCSO Christopher Marchant is currently the main contact for Barcombe matters.
Action: The Parish Council will revisit the information collated last year regarding both CCTV and additional lighting for the areas in question.
Action: The Clerk will ask for a quotation for the installation of motion-activated security lighting.
6. **Subject Reports as required**
Environment:
 - **‘20’s Plenty’ road speed campaign.** Cllr Bennington provided an update on the proposal. **Action:** Clerk to supply Councillors with the criteria of the scheme and add it to the February Agenda as a proposal.

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Cllr Bennington will continue to discuss options for maintaining Barcombe bus service. **Action:** Cllr Milligan will request the bus usage data.

- **Wild About Barcombe.** Cllr Bennington will meet the remainder of the WAB Working Group to see what support the Parish Council can provide, and to set a Spring date for a Working Party Day.
- **Finance:** The revised budget with a small precept increase of 1% was **approved**. The Chairman and the Clerk signed the Precept Request for Lewes District Council.
- **Playground:** Quotes are being received and reviewed. An Expression of Interest for a CIL grant will be lodged by the end of the month. **Action:** Clerk to request a copy of the Hamsey Parish Council CIL application. **Action:** Clerk to complete CIL expression of interest document. **Action:** Clerk to share playground survey method.

7. **Chairman's Report:** Water testing continues, there may be an opportunity for a small group to visit the water treatment plant.

8. **Administration, including accounts for payment:**

- Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, January 2022, £705.90
- Julia Shelley, Household expenses, October 2021, £45.31
- Tim Austin, Cleaning/caretaking December 2022, £260.00
- Hamsey Parish Council, Sleigh hire, £150.00
- James Stewart, Santa expenses, £60.00

Paid between meetings: EDF, Pavilion Electricity, £273.05

Proposed by Cllr Holman, seconded by Cllr Arbenz

The meeting closed at 21.00