

# BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Barcombe Parish Council full meeting held at the Sports Pavilion on the 2nd August 2023 immediately following the August Planning Meeting.

**Attendees:** Attendees: Cllrs Holman, Parsons, Skan, Smith, Sokoloff, Stewart.

## MINUTES

**Apologies.** Cllr Ashbee

Confirmation and signature of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th of July 2023. The Minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

**Actions from July Meeting.**

- The Clerk confirmed that the condition of Ash trees on School Hill has been reported to ESCC Highways.
- A quote is awaited for the electrician to install two hand dryers in the Pavilion.
- Cllr Holman has obtained quotes for an all weather path alongside the children's playground and an option for repairing the goalmouth turf Updates added to the website re: Neighbourhood Planning.

**Questions from Councillors.** None

**Questions from Electorate.**

- The condition of certain areas of the recreation ground was raised. The Clerk confirmed that the weeds around the climbing frame will be trimmed and a longer-term solution to stop regrowth identified. Cllr Stewart has been in contact with the cricket club and it will remove the items left over from recent improvements to the pitch.

**Subject Reports.**

**Recreation.** One of the current contractors has ceased trading, but an individual from the company will continue working independently for the Parish Council. Action: Clerk to confirm with ESCC which footpaths it considers its responsibility. Cllrs Sokoloff and Smith attended a meeting with representatives of Hamsey Parish Council, Sustrans and Lewes District Council to discuss the Chailey – Lewes cycle route. There are options for linking in Barcombe through 'quiet lanes'. Action: Cllr Sokoloff to contact the LDC representative and discuss funding and options.

**Barcombe Mills.** The entry barrier and some fencing has been vandalised. The Parish Council agreed to return to a fixed barrier over the entrance. Additional litter signs will be ordered for Barcombe Mills car park.

Pavilion. Councillors discussed a letter received from a member of the public regarding facilities at the Pavilion. It was agreed to investigate the cost of two air hand dryers for the internal toilets, and authorise additional deep cleaning to deal with the aftermath of the two winter floods plus repair work.

**Good Neighbours.** The service continues to be very busy; additional volunteers are always welcome. Cllr Skan is involved in planning a social coffee event which the Parish Council agreed to support with a small grant to cover costs.

**Authorise payment(s):**

- Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, August 2023, £718.47
- Julia Shelley, Household expenses, August 2023. £76.16
- Tim Austin, Cleaning/caretaking July 2023, £335.88
- Julia Foster, EDF Electricity refund (cheque lost in post), £492.86

Proposed and seconded: Cllrs Stewart and Smith.

**Correspondence.**

- Rubbish in Barcombe Mills. Action: Clerk to order appropriate signs.

*The meeting closed at 20.45*

**Next Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023**