

BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Barcombe Parish Council full meeting held Wednesday 14th December 2022 at the Sports Pavilion, immediately following the Planning Meeting

MINUTES

Attendees: Cllrs Arbenz, Bennington, Cornwell, Holman, Pack, Parsons, Skan, Smith, Stewart

Plus Cllrs Linington and Milligan

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs Bennington, Stroude

2. **Confirmation and signature** of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Wednesday 14th December 2022

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

3. **Action Matrix**

Grit Bins. It was agreed that Cllr Parson would order grit for the bin adjacent to the shop.

4. **Questions from Councillors :** None

5. **Questions from Electors:** None

6. **Subject Reports:**

- **Agriculture.** Residents are requested to take care when dog walking as the sheep have been moved to different fields around the parish. Hedge cutting will continue alongside maintenance work.
- **Good Neighbours.** The AGM was held and roles filled. Business as usual, but the need for additional daytime volunteer drivers remains.
- **Playground.** Stage Two is underway so the playground will be unavailable for the next few weeks. Further grants to the value of £5,500 have been requested. However, further suggestions and donations will be very welcome as a shortfall remains. A small opening ceremony will be held.
- **Public toilet.** Progress is good and the intention is to have the toilet available when the playground is re-opened.
- **Wild About Barcombe.** Boardwalk repairs will take place when the weather improves. The working group hope to hold a Working Day on the 22nd of January (weather permitting).
- **Highways.** It was agreed to accept the quote for the replacement of the fingerpost at the roundabout. **Action:** Clerk to apply for matched funding from East Sussex County Council.
- **Santa's visit** was a great success. Donations to the value of £100 were raised.
- **Chairman's Report.** The chairman outlined the big plans for the coming year; working out how to progress the improvements to the pavilion and developing a Neighbourhood Plan. He would also like the Parish Council to encourage general tidying up of the village, for example getting the troughs at the village entrances re-planted and street signs straightened and repainted.

7. **Proposals:** None

8. **Sign Documents:** Bank transfer letter moving £10,000 from savings account and then transferring outstanding amount to Playsafe Playground Ltd. *Authorised by four signatories.*

Precept request for Lewes District Council. *Signed by Chairman and Clerk.*

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

- Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, January 2023, £718.47
- Julia Shelley, Household expenses, January 2023, £45.31
- Tim Austin, December 2022 caretaking, £592.12
- Knill James, Payroll January 2023, £39.00
- Janet Hughes, Tree Decorations, £25.10
- Barcombe Landscapes, Mowing, £804.00

Proposed and seconded: Cllrs Arbenz & Pack

10. **Correspondence:** None

The meeting closed at 21.00