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BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Barcombe Parish Council full meeting held Wednesday 26th May 2022 at the Sports Pavilion, immediately following the Annual Village Meeting

Attendees: Cllrs Arbenz, Bennington, Cornwell, Holman, Pack, Parson, Skan, Stewart, Stroude. Also Cllr Lington, Councillor Milligan.

MINUTES

1. **Election of Chairman for the coming year:** Cllr Holman elected.
2. **Election of Vice Chairman for the coming year:** Councillor Stewart elected.
3. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Smith
4. **Confirmation and signature of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Wednesday 12th April 2022:**
The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
5. **Action Matrix:** The outstanding issues were covered in main agenda.
6. **Questions from Councillors:** None
7. **Questions from Electors:** None
8. **Election to committees and external groups:**
Chair of Planning Committee – Cllr Arbenz
Barcombe Sports Hall Management Committee – Cllr Arbenz, Holman, Skan
Lewes District Association of Local Councils – Cllr Holman
9. **Subject Reports**
 - **Agriculture.** Cllr Cornwell reported that this is fairly quiet time on the farms but the priority is for a decent level of rain to fall.
 - **Community Liaison Group.** Cllr Parsons reported that no communication had been received from Rydon Homes.
 - **Environment.** Cllr Bennington had attended the '@pathway to net zero' event. This could provide a template 'vision statement' which we could use locally. Cllrs Bennington and Holman are to attend the next Ovesco meeting.
 - **Finance, Cllr Holman & Clerk.** Internal audit is completed, papers will be signed at the July meeting and sent to the external auditor.
 - **Good Neighbours/WI, Cllr Skan.** Good Neighbours continues to work well but does still require a chairperson.
 - **Playground working group/WAB, Cllr Holman & Cllr Smith.** Waiting decision on CIL grant application, Cllr Holman will start to progress plans for the lower recreation ground area.
 - **Planning.** Cllr Pack attended a Lewes District Council Planning meeting as a learning exercise and to better understand the process, ahead of the meetings which will discuss the Bridgelands and Hillside applications.
 - **Recreation.** Cllr Stewart reported that the mower is failing. It was agreed to ask Mr Osmond to manage to the until the autumn with a view to either repairing or replacing then. The barrier at the Barcombe Mills car park has been repaired. Contractor 'Your Garden, Your Home' has ceased trading, so a temporary contractor has been employed for footpath and playground maintenance.
 - **Communication:** It was agreed to re-start using the Parish Council Facebook account as an additional communication tool. **Action:** Contact Mrs Mills for sign in details.
10. **Administration, including accounts for payment:**

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- Julia Shelley, Clerks Salary, May 2022, £705.90
- Julia Shelley, Household expenses, May 2022, £45.31
- Julia Shelley, expenses September 2021– March 2022 (detailed below), £353.17
- Knill James, Payrole Administration, April £39.00, May £39.00
- Barcombe Explorers, re-issue of grant cheque, £250.00
- Alan Cannings, Pavilion Sign, £291.00

Paid between meetings: Tim Austin, Cleaning/caretaking April 2022, £327.67

Proposed and seconded: Cllr Stewart and Arbenz

11. Correspondence

Concerns have been raised regarding the presence of traffic wardens in the village on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Action: It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to LDC highlighting the unreasonableness of targeting the village during a charity event and that the same exception for Sunday and bank holidays should apply to the village and not just Lewes Town Centre.

Action: Thank you letter to the Jubilee DayTeam.

The meeting closed at 21.22