

Combe Florey Parish Council

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 06th Sep 2022 7:00 pm At Combe Florey Village Hall	Written by: Gemma Coombes (Parish Clerk)
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Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor's Present

Cllr Robin Cleverly (Chair)
Cllr John Passingham
Cllr Chris Steel

In attendance

Gemma Coombes – Parish Clerk
Parishioners x None

2022/70) Welcome by Chairman

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2022/71) Apologies for absence

Cllr Simon Hawes (RFO)
Cllr Nick Weeks
Cllr Mike Rigby – Somerset county councillor and District Councillor (apologies not tendered)
Cllr Andy Sully - Somerset county councillor (apologies not tendered)
Cllr Anthony Trollope-Bellow - District Councillor

2022/72) Declarations of Interest

None declared.

2022/73) Approval of last meetings minutes

The minutes from the 24th May 2022 were taken as read.
Proposed acceptance by Cllr Chris Steel Seconded Cllr John Passingham .
All in favour to adopt the minutes. Signed by Chairman.

2022/74) Public participation

None as no public

2022/75) Matters Arising / Matters brought forward from Annual Parish Meeting

1. Parish news letter/ engagement update

Waiting on an email list from the broadband mail shot, this will depend on GDPR rules. Everyone on the list has been emailed and told if they wish to get a regular update, this list will be used. Currently we have 1/3 of the village. The first newsletter will be in October. If you wish to have your detail added to this list please contact Chris Steel to let him know. There will be a notice in the parish notice board, in the pub and the village hall to tell people how to join. This will be a work in progress.

2. Parish grit bins - Email from SCC asking us to check grit bin levels

Main road and village garden. 1/3 full currently.

3. Village rubbish bins

There is not a logical place to put this: the siting has to be critical, usable and not directly in front of peoples' property.
There is more dog waste around as many people are not carrying dog waste bags with them. We need to educate people on getting people to pick up after their dogs; it is illegal to not pick up after your dogs.
There is an increasing amount of general litter such as cans and McDonalds wrappers. There should be a campaign we can use the local newsletter to tell people to pick up and keep their community clear; we should also have some signs. It is approx. £600 to install and cost of emptying about £6 per time (this is based on figures from beginning on the year). There needs to be some further discussion over where this bin is to be sited.
We need a full costing from SWT and an agreed location for the bin. There are some things to be decided on before we can proceed. Clerk to make initial enquiries of SWT.

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2022/76) Somerset County councillor’s report (Cllr Rigby / Cllr Sully)

None submitted

2022/77) Taunton Deane district report (Cllr Anothony Trollop-Bellow)

None submitted

2022/78) Policing Report

None submitted

2022/79) Planning

1. Current planning applications

None that have not been covered in extraordinary meeting.

2. Other planning matters

Our chairperson will put in a planning application to put in an EV point as he lives in a listed building.

Finance

1. Account balances

- Current account - £9227.00

2. Bank Reconciliation and Cash Days Books

Payment schedule is circulated and signed by chairperson, daybook and cashbook also signed.

3. Remittances

- none

4. Invoices for payment

Cllr Robin Cleverly standing in for Cllr Simon Hawes (RFO) read out the invoices for payment.

- a. Parish Clerk wages and expenses (inclusive) £.453.60 (before deductions)
- Proposed by Cllr Chris Steel, seconded by Cllr Robin Cleverly. All in favour.

- b. HMRC (Clerks PAYE) - £TBC
- Proposed by Cllr Chris Steel, seconded by Cllr Robin Cleverly. All in favour.

- c. John Passingham expenses £32.22 ref wood chippings
- Proposed by Cllr Chris Steel, seconded by Cllr Robin Cleverly. All in favour.

2022/80) Highways and Footpaths

1. Moving footpath so there is no need to walk along the main B3224 for about 50m. As an official change could take 30 years, we need to speak to land owner.

We need something in writing to say the landowner has no issues with this. We have heard nothing from Cllr Rigby. Cllr John Passingham is going to speak to Cllr Rigby to gain a better understanding who will be doing this and when this will be happening.

We can get someone with a digger if Somerset County Council will provide the stile.

Cllr Chris Steel asked who is responsible for the ground a footpath is on. Footpath T7/2 towards Ash Priors has been partly ploughed up and is less than the statutory 1m minimum width. It is proposed that the Parish Council contact the land owner ref this matter, and it is worth logging on the digital map as well. The Parish Council will email the footpath agent ref this matter of footpath T7/2.

2022/81) Village Maintenance

1. Village Garden

Looking good and making progress. Cannot plant anything until it gets wetter and the ground is easier to work with.

Costs to date £300 on edging, £32.22 on chipping and all of this has been covered so far. We have not yet paid for Mark’s time but we are anticipating this later in year.

2. Road signs (Finger posts)

This is all finished and the finger posts are now looking good. To be removed from agenda.

3. Pull in by Trebles Holford needs some attention. - Cllr Simon Hawes to speak to Mark and ask him to look at this for us. (Raised at Annual Parish Meeting)

This has now been completed. To be removed from agenda.

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2022/82) Approve of expenses subject to PCC approval - £175 plus shipping costs for remembrance Day silhouette statue as per discussion at Annual Parish Meeting.

It is proposed by Cllr Robin Cleverly that this is approved as this was raised in the Parish Meeting. Subject to PCC being happy and any necessary approvals being gained. Proposed by Cllr Robin Cleverly, seconded by Cllr John Passingham, all in favour of purchasing.

2022/83) Village Hall - Status report

Cllr Chris Steel represents the Village Hall for the Parish Council. The VH has decided to defer the decision as to what to do about the fire exit.

2022/84) Topics for future meetings

None raised.

2022/85) Dates for future meetings. Jan, March, May (both Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting) September.

January 10th 2023

March 28th 2023

May 9th 2023 for Annual Parish meeting

May 23rd 2023 for Annual Parish Council meeting

September 12th

There was discussion about moving the meeting to 6pm but it was decided to keep meeting at 7pm. All in favour.

2022/86) Correspondence

None that has not been discussed.

2022/87) NEXT MEETING:

Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 10th January 2023 7.00pm, Combe Florey Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 20.25

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