<u>COFFINSWELL PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES</u> <u>THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2019 – ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, COFFINSWELL</u>

Present: Cllrs Wills (Chairman), Berry, Brent, Harrington and Parkes Cllr Dewhirst (DCC) (18.38) Cllr Haines (TDC)

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk)

3 members of the public

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chairman will open the Meeting and receive	Cllr Wills opened the meeting at 18.30. There were no apologies.
	apologies.	
2	To declare any interests arising at this meeting.	There were no interests to declare.
	The Council will adjourn for the following items:	
3	Public Question Time: A period of 15 minutes	No members of the public wished to speak.
	will be allowed for members of the public to ask	· · ·
	questions or make comment regarding the work	
	of the Council or other items that affect	
	Coffinswell.	
	County and District Councillors' Reports	Cllr Haines reported that due to the period of Purdah before elections,
		his report would only focus on issues in the district and he would not
		report on his additional responsibilities as an individual councillor.
		He would provide a report during the APM.
		County Cllr Dewhirst's report forms part of the minutes.
	Police Report	There was no police report.
	The Council will convene to conduct the following	
	business:	
4	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the	It was NOTED that an additional planning meeting had taken place on
	Council and approve the minutes of the	31 January to consider revised plans prior to the meeting on 25
	following minutes:	February.
	17 January 2019	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE all minutes, and Cllr Wills duly signed
	25 February 2019 (Planning)	them.
5	To consider the following planning application:	
	19/00376/LBC Repair and/or replacement of	No objection.
	external rendering (Pitt Cottage, Coffinswell)	
6	Update – TDC Planning Committee meeting (19	District Cllr Haines reported that the application at Pathfields was
	March 2019)	refused on the grounds of over-development in the countryside, that
		the application was in an Area of Great Landscape Value and the impact it would have on the highway network.
		The application at The Bungalow was approved with all additional
		comments and conditions requested by the Parish Council.
		In both cases, he explained that all comments made by the Parish
		Council had been considered and the outcomes had been positive.
7	Enforcement Issues.	Cllr Brent reported that whilst he had not received communication from
		the Environmental Agency or TDC, the site at Orestone Lane has been
		cleared; all building debris has been removed and the land appears to
		have reverted to agricultural use.
		An abandoned vehicle had also been reported to the police. The owners
		have advised the police that it is broken down, but they are trying to
		remove it.
		Concerns were raised regarding the use of land at Daccombe Hill. It was
		NOTED that this is a dog walking facility and the application had been
		approved.
		It was NOTED that there appears to be a dalmatian rescue centre on
		Daccombe Hill (access off Downaway Lane) and are using the field,

		which has been fenced off, to exercise the dogs. There has possibly
		been a change of ownership and the field appears to no longer be for
		agricultural use. It was NOTED that District Cllr Haines would
		investigate.
		Additional enforcement issues are still an issue, including Connybeare
		Wood. District Cllr Haines provided a brief overview of the current
		situation. Action: Clerk to contact Enforcement Officer for update.
		It was NOTED that a new flue and chimney had been added to The
		Coach House. If a listed building, it was NOTED that this may require
		planning permission. It was NOTED that there is an outstanding window
		issue on the property. Action: Clerk to contact Enforcement Officer.
		Concerns were raised regarding the work taking place opposite The
		Bothy. It was suggested that the work being undertaken is clearly more
		than a metre high and may require planning permission. Originally, this
		was reported to TDC and the EA. A licence was obtained from the EA,
		but there are limitations. It was also NOTED that the mud on the road is
		increasingly becoming an issue. Action: Clerk to contact Enforcement
8	Finance:	Officer. The clerk stated that grants for the churchyard are required to be paid
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	 To agree accounts for payment 	that these payments would be made at the same rate as last year. This
		was SECONDED by Clir Brent and APPROVED.
		Payments for approval:
		Mrs R Avery - Clerk's Expenses - £27.00
		Mrs R Avery - Clerk's PAYE - £96.00
		Mrs R Avery - Clerk's Salary - £384.39
		Coffinswell PCC – Hire of church for meetings - £165.00
		Coffinswell PCC – Churchyard maintenance grant - £450.00
		Bank Balances:
		Main Account (as at 28 February 2019) £3052.93
		Parish Paths (as at 31 January 2019) £278.27
	 Update – Lloyds bank account 	It was NOTED that the bank account had been successfully opened and
	opuate Lioyas saint account	paperwork would be signed and sent to the bank.
9	Neighbourhood Watch.	Cllr Parkes reported that the scheme is now up and running.
	S	Sheenagh Orchard had hand delivered information to all houses in the
		village and most people wishing to sign up had passed on information to
		her. She was somewhat disappointed by numbers, but it appears that
		the take up has been quite high. It was NOTED that around 40
		households had signed up to the scheme.
		It was NOTED that funds for the signs received from District Cllr Haines
		had been ringfenced within the parish bank account.
10	Funding and Grants.	There was nothing further to report.
11	Engaging with the community.	It was NOTED that the Facebook page is now up and running. Further
		consideration was given to a mailing list, but it was NOTED that the
		Information Sharing Network and the Neighbourhood Watch send out
		regular emails and the clerk would use these outlets to disseminate
		information. A Parish Council mailing list could be considered at a future
		meeting if it is agreed to be appropriate.
12	Footpaths and Highways.	Cllr Brent requested that the temporary sign is removed at footpath 2.
		It was also NOTED that the way markers have not been reinstated at
i		footpath two and the PROW Officer would be contacted.
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		Cllr Harrington asked if Cllr Brent would be happy to be footpath
		Cllr Harrington asked if Cllr Brent would be happy to be footpath coordinator due to his decision not to stand for election in May. It was

13	To note any correspondence received.	Cllr Wills reported that there is a large ash tree at the entrance to Connybeare Lane. The tree looks to be in poor condition and may require removal. He would contact TDC's tree officer. It was NOTED that there is no ash dieback in Teignbridge yet, but it is very likely that the disease will arrive in the district; one in five trees in Devon are ash. It was suggested that the council undertake a tree asset survey. The likelihood is that the council would have to pay for work should there be removals required. Owners may require support with management and a notice should be placed in the notice board. It was AGREED that Cllr Parkes would investigate this. Concerns were raised regarding wild magenta, which has taken over in patches around 20m long. Cllr Brent suggested that this weed may be Winter Heliotrope was difficult to control but will not seed and should be contained. Additional highway issues were NOTED and would be reported via the DCC online reporting system: Blocked buddle holes at Underway Potholes at Pathway Covering of stop cocks through village since resurfacing. County Cllr Dewhirst reported that scalpings may be available from work on the A381. DCC had been able to turn some revenue projects into capital and had received additional funding from central government.
14	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday	This was NOTED. The meeting was closed at 19.25.
	23 May 2019.	_