



Coffinswell Parish Council

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Coffinswell & Dacombe

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MINUTES OF THE COFFINSWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER 2021 7PM AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

Present: Cllr A Parkes (Chairman), Cllr S Avery, Cllr V Flower, Cllr N Orchard

In attendance: Cllr A Dewhirst (DCC), Cllr M Haines (TDC), Mrs J Thompson – Clerk
One member of the public

1. The Chairman to open the meeting and receive apologies.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:01 pm.

Apologies were received from Cllr A Brent, C Austin and J Austin.

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

The Parish Council wished to pass on condolences to the family of Michael Hammacott, who sadly passed away this week.

2. To declare any interests arising at this meeting:

None

The Council will adjourn for the following item:

3. Reports:

3.1 County Councillor's Report – available to view on website.

3.2 District Councillor's Report – Cllr M Haines commented that he had chaired the TDC Planning Committee however, there was nothing relevant to Coffinswell PC.

3.3 Police Report – reports regularly circulated.

3.4 NHW Report – reports regularly circulated.

The Council will convene to conduct the following business:

4. Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following meeting:

It was proposed by Cllr N Orchard, seconded by Cllr S Avery and agreed by all who were present at the meeting to approve the minutes of Tuesday 21st September 2021.

5. Finance

5.1 There were no payments to authorise and it was noted that the second half of the precept had been received.

5.2 It was proposed by Cllr N Orchard, seconded by Cllr S Avery and agreed by all to approve the bank reconciliation for September, which was signed by Cllr A Parkes and the Clerk.

5.3 The Clerk presented the quarterly budget update; no questions were asked.

6. Funding & Grants

6.1 It was proposed by Cllr S Avery, seconded by Cllr V Flower and agreed by all to defer a discussion about church funding until after the next working party meeting.

6.2 It was agreed by all to look into applying for DCC Highway Maintenance Community Enhancement Funding.

7. Footpaths and Highways:

7.1 The survey detailing the condition of all drains and gullies in Coffinswell and Dacombe was still being investigated by DCC Highways.

7.2 Cllr N Orchard reported that work is ongoing to update the footpaths and walks information section of the website. Cllr A Parkes is installing QR codes on noticeboards and footpath markers.

8. To note any correspondence received:

To include any other items that do not relate to planning or enforcement, plus any other standing orders that have been omitted on this agenda, that should be otherwise included.

The Clerk informed the council that they were now using 100% recycled and chlorine free paper in accordance with the council's Climate Emergency Statement.

9. Parish Matters:

9.1 The meeting dates for 2022 were noted.

9.2 Cllr V Flower will formalise an agreement with The Linny, allowing residents of Princess Cottages to park in The Linny car park if they are unable to find parking elsewhere.

The Council will adjourn for the following item:

10. Planning and enforcement public question time:

A period of five minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding planning applications and/or enforcement issues that affect Coffinswell Parish Council.

The Chairman thanked a resident for their update on enforcement issues.

The Council will convene to conduct the following business:

11. Planning:

None

12. Enforcement Issues:

12.1 Cllr A Dewhirst apologised on behalf of the TDC Planning and explained that the administration team are having to deal with a large amount of planning applications.

The Council will adjourn for the following item:

13. General public question time:

Ten minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment on the work of Coffinswell Parish Council or on matters arising that affect the Council.

A lack of communication from TDC over various planning applications and enforcement issues has caused uncertainty and Dacombe residents were anxious.

The Council will convene to conduct the following business:

14. The date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 16th November 2021 7pm at St Bartholomew's Church.

Tuesday 23rd November working party meeting at St Bartholomew's Church.

The meeting ended at 8:24pm

Signed:
Chairman of Coffinswell Parish Council

Dated: