COMBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 11th March 2024 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, Combroke

Present

Tim Goodhead (TG) Brenda Rayson (BR) Jo Price (JP) Georgina Lowe (Clk), Clerk CCIIr Chris Mills (CM) DCIIr David Johnston (DJ)

Members of the Public: 1

- 1. Apologies Cllr Connah (SC)
- 2. Acceptance of Apologies Cllr Connah, it was proposed JP, seconded TG and

RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted.

- 3. Declarations of Interest BR - Agenda Items 9.1 and 9.3
- 4. **Public Representation** None
- 5. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 22^{nd} January 2024 had been circulated. Proposed JP, seconded BR and

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

6. Chairman's Report and Other Reports for Information Only

a. Chairman

- i. Attended WALC Chairs' meeting on Tuesday 23 January
- ii. Attended WFRS Resourcing to Risk information session and submitted formal consultation
- iii. Attended Quarterly Police/Councillors Meeting

b. Clerk

Warwickshire rights of way improvement plan - Information circulated prior to the meeting. Warwickshire County Council is seeking views on all aspects of the county's rights of way as part of a new engagement exercise; for further information go to <u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/rightsofway</u>

7. **District Councillor's Report** DCllr Johnston's Report is attached to these minutes.

8. **County Councillor's Report** CCllr Mills' Report is attached to these minutes.

9. Planning

9.1 Pending The Little House, 31 School Lane 21/03000/FUL Enlargement of parking area; erection of retaining wall

No further update published, refer to item 9.3

- 9.2 Pending No 41, Combrook, 23/03249/FUL Single & two-storey rear extension and associated landscaping to existing dwelling
- 9.3 Pending The Little House, 31 School Lane 23/03398/LDE Enlargement of parking area; erection of retaining wall

Item chaired by Cllr Goodhead

To note a further representation was drafted and circulated prior to submission on the 27th February.

The submission was recirculated prior to the meeting whereupon it was agreed no further amendments be made and the Representation was formally approved.

DJ advised SDC's legal opinion had been published and was as of today available on the E-Planning System; Members to review

- 9.4 Pending Fossedene Manor 24/00003/FUL Reinstatement of existing storage shed and conversion to 2 no. holiday lets
- 9.5 Granted: Old School Cottage 23/03190/LDE To rebuild collapsed garden wall of white lias stone as before

Contact has been made with County footpaths to request advice re completion of footpath handrail

10. Financial Administration

10.1 Half Yearly Finance Report – Item postponed.

- 10.2 2024/25 Budget Item postponed
- 10.3 To consider payments to be made: Invoices were presented, and payment approved for: Georgina Lowe Feb/Mar Salary £259.90 HMRC £38.40 Zurich - Combroke Village Hall Contents Insurance £409.01

11. To consider moving the Parish Council's Website to NetWise UK

Information was circulated prior to the meeting giving a number of different options. After an in depth discussion it was proposed TG, seconded JP and

RESOLVED: To move the Parish Council's Website to NetWise UK, setup costs / annual Clk/ fee not to exceed £1,139 BR

12. To consider purchasing a dog waste bin

The Clk provided Members with installation and emptying costs. Although it was recognized there was a poo problem on the Leys it was generally felt that because the poo had not been bagged, the offending dog owners would continue not picking up after their pets.

13 Flooding

It was noted that the gulley by the bridge needed to be jetted, also one at the top of Church Hill; TG to contact the Localities Officer.

Further investigation into silt traps required, both replacement of and how to stop silt entering the gulleys.

Permission given to re-open the ditch outside number 14/15 by the County Flood Risk Team; a survey of the surrounding area (Church Hill and the lands above) is also to be completed.

Tim, Hugh and Jim to investigate issues further and propose / action a maintenance plan once fixed

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14. Climate Change - No report

15. Lanes and Drainage - County Highways Repair and Improvement - No report

16. The Leys

Leaf debris, grass and stone need to be removed from over the French drain to help the flow of water. Further investigation required into how we can facilitate

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- 17. **Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agendas** Working group to tackle small jobs around the village (SC)
- Date(s) of Next Parish Council Meeting(s): Monday 13th May 2024 Monday 15th July 2024

The meeting closed at 9:28pm