

COFFINSWELL PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES
THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2016 – ST BARTHOLOMEW’S CHURCH, COFFINSWELL

Present: Cllrs Wills (Chairman), Berry, Harrington and Hermsen

Apologies: Cllr Winchester

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk)

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chairman will open the Meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr Wills opened the meeting at 19.30. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the apologies of Cllr Winchester.
2	To declare any interests arising at this meeting.	There were no interests declared.
	<i>The Council will adjourn for the following items:</i>	
3	<u>Public Question Time</u> : A period of 15 minutes 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.	There were no members of the Public present.
	<i>The Council will convene to conduct the following business:</i>	
4	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following minutes: 21 January 2016	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes.
5	Footpath No 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the instruction of a solicitor to represent the Parish Council in respect of the agreement on footpath number two • To discuss the agreement submitted to the Council by the owner of Connybeare House 	<p>Cllr Wills expressed concerns over the situation and suggested that the Parish Council should not approve the footpath application. Cllr Harrington suggested that a compromise would be better than the occupier fencing in the whole part of Footpath 2.</p> <p>There were concerns raised about signing an agreement. Cllr Hermsen suggested that this application may make no difference to any final outcome. Cllr Harrington confirmed that this agreement will approve the A-B-C diversion. The map forms part of the minutes.</p> <p>Cllr Harrington PROPOSED that the Parish Council enter an agreement with the owner on the basis that A-B-C is APPROVED and that the following is included in the agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uphill side of path- fencing would be acceptable as per original agreement • Downhill side of path- to protect the amenity of the footpath and the view, no fencing or trees would be allowed, leaving a green space in perpetuity. <p>This was SECONDED by Cllr Berry. This was AGREED.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the agreement should be written into a covenant on the house. It was NOTED that the Parish Council would not be willing to incur any fees with regards to the application and the quotes obtained by the Clerk were in excess of what the applicant had proposed to pay. Action: Clerk to write to land owner.</p>
6	Queen’s Birthday events.	Cllr Harrington suggested that there be a Parish Beacon lit on 21 April 2016. Action: Clerk to investigate. Agenda item for March.
7	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 17 March 2016 at 19.30.	This was NOTED.