

COFFINSWELL PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES
THURSDAY 19 MARCH 2015 – ST BARTHOLOMEW’S CHURCH, COFFINSWELL

Present: Cllrs Wills (Chairman), Harrington, Hermsen and Winchester
 Cllrs Dewhirst (DCC), Ballinger (TDC) and Haines (TDC)

Apologies: Cllr Berry

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk), 1 member of the Public

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chairman will open the Meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr Wills opened the meeting at 19.32. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE apologies from Cllr Berry.
2	To declare any interests arising at this meeting.	Cllr Wills declared an interest in item 5 and 13 due to owning a boundary fence.
	<i>The Council will adjourn for the following items:</i>	
3	<p><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.</p> <p><u>County and District Councillors' Reports</u></p> <p><u>Police Report</u></p>	<p>There were no questions or comments.</p> <p>Cllr Dewhirst’s report forms part of the minutes. Cllr Ballinger explained that there is no increase in Council Tax at District Council level. Cllr Haines thanked Coffinswell Parish Council for lending their support to Kingskerswell Library electors fund application.</p> <p>Update for Coffinswell & Dacombe - 19/02/15 – 19/03/15 Drugs – Manor Farm, Dacombe On 26/02/15 bag of budded cannabis plants were found on Manor Farm, this appears to happen from time to time unfortunately in the dead of night in a predominantly quiet place. If you see persons acting suspiciously in the area and dumping anything from vehicles please acquire the vehicles registration mark and call the police on 101. Coffinswell/St Mary Church road – Goat on the road Recently received several calls regarding a goat on a road, a reporting person seems to think the animal may have come from a Coffinswell/Dacombe farm.</p>
	<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: 15 January 2015	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes, with requested amendments. Chair to sign at next meeting.
5	<p>To consider the following planning applications: 15/00361/MAJ Demolition of existing abattoir buildings and erection of twenty live-work units and meeting room with associated access alteration, formation of new field access and formation of parking areas and landscaping (Former Milber Down Abattoir, St Marychurch Road, Coffinswell/Mr R Gearing c/o Prydis)</p> <p>To consider the following tree applications:</p>	<p>The application was given consideration, and the following issues were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of footpath access for residents of development • Loss of workshop integrity should plots be sold over time <p>Cllr Hermsen PROPOSED no objection, with the discussed concerns being made known to TDC. Cllr Winchester SECONDED this. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the application (3:1).</p>

	<p>15/00355/CAN Pruning of three trees (Pitt Cottage, Coffinswell/Mr N Orchard)</p> <p>15/00683/CAN Felling of one cypress (Dodwell Cottage, Coffinswell/Mr G Bower)</p>	<p>No objection.</p> <p>No objection.</p> <p>Danver House - It was NOTED that the applicants appeal to the Planning Inspectorate has been dismissed.</p>
6	Enforcement Issues.	<p>Unauthorised change of use of land and buildings and erection of industrial unit at Pathfield, Dacombe (13/00022/ENF) - It was NOTED that the landowners application for a Certificate of Lawfulness has now been approved (application reference 14/01469/CLDE) and the property owners subsequent planning application for the retention of the unauthorised industrial unit has now been granted (application reference 14/03730/FUL). It is considered the breach has now been remedied, and no further enforcement action is proposed to be taken in this instance. The case is now closed.</p>
7	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To agree accounts for payment 	<p>Receipts – Nil</p> <p>Payments- Mrs R Avery - Clerk's Salary £242.82 Mrs R Avery - Clerk's Expenses £26.10 Mr A Hermsen - PAYE deducted from Clerk's salary payable to HMRC £60.80 Coffinswell PCC - Hire of Vestry/Church for meetings £90.00</p> <p>A VAT claim has been submitted to HMRC in the sum of £369.72</p> <p>The Annual Return had been received from Grant Thornton and has to be submitted by 8 June. It has been agreed with Ken Abraham that the Internal Audit will take place on 01 June.</p>
8	Newton Abbot Neighbourhood Plan.	<p>Cllr Berry had attended the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. Cllr Haines explained that the meeting was engaging for surrounding Parishes, but did not affect Coffinswell.</p>
9	Parish Council Election May 2015.	<p>It was NOTED that Councillors have received nomination papers. It was NOTED that the Clerk would add information regarding this to notice boards in due course.</p>
10	Annual General Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting.	<p>These meetings would take place at the May meeting on the 21st.</p>
11	Funding and Grants.	<p>There was nothing to report.</p>
12	Engaging with the Community.	<p>There was nothing to report.</p>
13	<p>Footpaths and Highways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Footpath No 2 	<p>Cllr Harrington explained that since the last meeting. He and Cllr Wills had met the footpath warden along with Sally Spokes. A new suggestion has been made, which was explained. There is a concern that the width of part of the path should be wider to ensure a flail hedge cutter could get through.</p> <p><i>Standing orders were suspended.</i></p> <p>The owner suggested that 2.5m was ample space. It was RESOLVED to await further information, and a further site visit may take place. Johnathon Rowlands awaiting confirmation. There are no objections to the short diversion to the telegraph pole. <i>Standing orders were reinstated.</i></p>

		It was NOTED that two hornbeams have been planted by Cllrs Hermsen and Harrington.
14	To note any correspondence received.	BT pay phone adoption, self build housing plots call from TDC. These were NOTED.
15	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 21 May 2015 at 19.00 (AGM).	This was NOTED. The AGM, Parish Council meeting and APM would take place on this date.