

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
COOMBE BISSETT AT 7.00 PM ON TUESDAY 14th JANUARY 2020 (unconfirmed).**

Present: Councillors: D Rattue, D Hobson, P Crosthwaite, C Chelu, S Gledhill, A Bird and G Bundy. Mrs D James (Clerk). Wiltshire Cllr. R Clewer. Mr R Maycock.

82 Apologies for absence: Mrs H Oliver.

83 Public question time: Mr Maycock requested that the grip below Foundry Cottages on the Salisbury Road is dug out by Wiltshire Council (WC) to assist with decreasing the quantity of water flow into the village.

84 Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes were proposed by S Gledhill, seconded by C Chelu and agreed by all as a correct record.

85 Declarations of interest: G Bundy declared an interest in the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Therefore he will not take part in any Parish Council considerations. There were no additional declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

86 Matters arising:

Neighbourhood Development Plan: Mrs Cooper, Chair of the NDP Steering Group has requested that the Parish Council should formally adopt the Design Guide Site Assessment document. Following discussion a couple of adjustments to the document will be advised. D Hobson proposed and S Gledhill seconded that the Parish Council endorses the direction of travel of the Neighbourhood Development Plan and approves the recommendation of up to fifteen houses for the period ending 2036, which will be subject to further consultation and a referendum. The Parish Council wish to take this forward in the format of low density housing, in order to reflect the character of the village. The majority agreed but with one abstention and one exclusion due to declaration of interest. D Hobson stated he is unable to continue his role as link councillor with NDP Steering Group. S Gledhill offered to replace him. D Rattue thanked D Hobson for his work and commitment.

Gates across bridleways in Coombe Bissett: G Bundy explained that WC rights of way officer has not responded to the suggestion of metal bollards in order to restrict vehicles along bridleway 8. The restrictors must be user friendly for horses and riders. G Bundy will follow up.

Donkey Field protection: It is proposed to establish a low chestnut fence around the Donkey Field. The top rail will be no higher than 60cm and constructed as an erect single rail cleft chestnut fence. The reason for a fence is to prevent vehicles driving across the Donkey Field in wet and bad weather, causing damage, which is difficult to restore. The Parish Council has listened to villager comments. G Bundy proposed and D Hobson seconded that the work proceed, undertaken by a local contractor. The majority agreed. There was one abstention.

Speeding on the A354: An £800 WC area board grant has been secured towards a Speed Indicator Device (SID) for Coombe Bissett and Homington. The SID co-ordinator is finalising post and socket sites. Training for the volunteers will take place soon.

Ramp onto play area: A ramp installed into the play area will improve ease of access and safety. Mr Matt Mould has kindly offered to do this job.

New bench seats: There have been suggestions regarding locations for new bench seats. Landowner consent has been refused. A request has also recently been received to site a seat adjacent to the bus stop outside the Fox and Goose. The Parish Council will discuss with Keith Smith. The Parish Council indicated that if anyone wants to donate a seat, possibly as a memorial, there is a position that may be appropriate. For further information please contact a member of the Parish Council.

Communications: S Gledhill has formatted a newsletter for publication in the Express, which will give a briefer bulletin of what the Parish Council is doing.

87 Plague Stone lighting: A villager has requested that a form of lighting the Plague Stone is considered because she has assessed it as being a hazard on dark nights. Following discussion and review of the circumstances, the suggestion has been rejected.

88 Cemetery wall: It was noticed that the wall outside the Parish Cemetery had been struck by a vehicle and damaged. Mr Matt Mould has very generously repaired the damage free of charge. The Parish Council conveyed their thanks and appreciation.

89 Tree planting: C Chelu has compiled a detailed photographic report of possible sites in Coombe Bissett and Homington that could be appropriate for tree planting. The Parish Council has recently adopted a tree planting policy to encourage and promote the planting of native trees across the parish, in order to enhance the local environment and contribute towards the UK achieving carbon emission neutrality. The Clerk explained that she had been made aware that two Coombe Bissett residents intend purchasing an Oak, Ash and Beech tree for planting on the bank bordering the School in Shutts Lane. She suggested a contribution for costs from the Parish Council would be an encouraging gesture. The proposition was refused stating the trees will not be on Parish Council owned land. Some Parish Council owned sites that have been identified for tree planting which maybe suitable for a commemoration tree. Anyone interested in planting a tree please contact a member of the Parish Council.

90 Parking on Recreation Field:

31-12-19: Private event
20-01-20: Village Show talk
31-01-20: Private event
14/15/16-02-20: Private event
07-03-20: Private event

91 Parking on Donkey Field:

No requests

92 Notices on Donkey Field/Beech Tree:

Film club
Phoenix
Village Show talk

93 Correspondence received:

Consultation events in Salisbury on the Salisbury Central Area Framework, in order to shape proposals for Salisbury's long term recovery following incidents in 2018.

94 Planning:

Planning received:

19/08192/FUL – Outfarm barns and yard, Coombe Farm, near Salisbury Racecourse, Coombe Bissett. Conversion and change of use of Outfarm Barns 1 and 2 and new 16 sqm connecting structure to form single C3 dwelling with hard and soft landscaping and ecological mitigation to the building and ecological improvement to adjacent woodland and associated works.

19/11523/FUL - Lower Cranbourne Farm Barn, Old Blandford Road, Coombe Bissett. Conversion of two existing agricultural barns to form a single storey residential dwelling (use class C3) and carport associated landscaping and access.

19/11851/CLE – Land to the west of the A354, to the south of Coombe Bissett. Certificate of Lawfulness existing for the change of use of agricultural land to an airstrip and the use of an agricultural building as a hangar.

19/12134/FUL – Hawthorne Rise, Homington Road, Coombe Bissett. Replacement of existing lean to roof with new pitched roof and timber cladding to external walls of existing garage.

20/00084/TCA – Karelea, Stocksbridge Lane, Coombe Bissett. Ash (T1) – remove branch overhanging neighbouring property and reduce overall height to 10-15ft approximately. Ash (T2) - remove branch overhanging neighbouring property and reduce overall height to 15ft approximately. Ash (T3) – fell and replant with Bird Cherry tree in same position.

Planning approved by Wiltshire Council:

19/10768/FUL - Lower Coombe Farm, Blandford Road, Coombe Bissett. Change of use of existing agricultural barn to create a residential annexe.

95 Reports from representatives:

P Crosthwaite – Coombe Bissett flood warden reported that WC had responded promptly to requests to deal with water that was accumulating in Homington Road recently.

96 Finance:

Income:

WC – contribution towards SID £800.00

Outgoings:

685 CB&H Village Hall – contribution to step repairs	£200.00
686 D Hewlett – reimbursement for recreation field hedge trimmer	£298.24
687 CB&H Village Hall – hall hire fees	£48.00
688 CB&H Village Hall – defibrillator electricity	£35.00
689 CB&H Tennis Club – reimbursement for defibrillator	£447.00
690 Mrs D James – reimbursement for SLCC subscription	£78.00
691 Bawden Managed Landscapes – grass cutting November	£133.42
692 Bawden Managed Landscapes – cemetery hedges	£696.00
693 CB&H Cricket Club – Recreation Field maintenance	£475.00
694 Dr A Burnett – NDP expenses	£1219.80
695 Office expenses	£546.40

Balance on accounts:

The balance on the reserve account is: £32113.17

The balance on the current account is: £23383.44

The total of the two accounts is therefore: £55496.61

S Glehill proposed, A Bird seconded and everyone agreed that cheques 685 to 695 be paid.

97 Date of next meeting: 10th March 2020

98 The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

