

TIMBERSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th March 2022

at Timberscombe Village Hall – 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: P. Pilkington (PP) – Chairman, C. Collins (CC), S. Campbell (SC), A. Sutton (AS), K.Walker (KW),

L. Webb (LW)- Clerk, County Councillor F. Nicholson (FN), District Councillor S. Pugsley (SP).

Item	Minutes	Action
22/39	Questions from the public. None	
22/40	Apologies for Absence. None	
22/41	Declarations of Notifiable Interests. None.	
22/42	Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting held on 28 th February 2022. Proposed by AS and seconded by SC. Accepted as a true record and signed by PP.	
22/43	Matters Arising. (a) Jubilee Meeting postponed due to Covid. (b) The Council resolved to purchase 72 Jubilee mugs to be presented to the children in the village and the surplus to be sold. (c) School Lane continues to be closed due to trees down. Improved signage needed on Blackball footpath. d) Response from SCC to Mr Marsh. He can place signs in his field, subject to planning limits.	AS to inquire
22/44	Report by the SW&T District Councillor and Somerset County Councillor. SP reported: a) The Highways pilot scheme covering 23 parishes for the Local Community Network was well under way. SCC have advertised for a Highways Steward. b) Councils are encouraged to respond to the National Landscape Review. c) Recycle More has had some teething problems but on the whole has been well received. Councillors reported some problems with the larger vans negotiating their way through the village and broken bottles left in the street. Please let SP know of any other concerns. d) SP reported that other parishes were interested in Timberscombe's idea of generators, etc. to support villagers during power outages. e) FN asked that assets stored on Parish Online were also sent to SCC.	
22/45	Report from other representatives. No other meetings have taken place.	
22/46	Highways a) Dunster Road will be closed on 5 th April b) Potholes by Knowle to be reported. c) Water on roadway at Kitswall is still a problem. To be reported when apparent. d) Speed checks to be carried out near Knowle over the next few weeks. If a problem is found the parish may be able to get their own SID.	LW LW
22/47	Bridle Paths a) Signpost at top of School Lane has been reported. b) Paths at Totterdown and Blackball need clearing. AS to report.	AS
22/48	Correspondence a) No response from Magna b) Brompton have asked about our plans for a generator.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c) NALC proposal regarding Ukraine was not felt to be appropriate. d) Further motor trials to take place in June. Council to send a letter of objection. e) Thank you letter from St Petrock's received for the grass cutting grant. f) Garden Cottage owner is keen to improve access. LW has contacted Thorne Segar to establish who owns the land. Response awaited. 	CC
22/49	<p>Finance Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bank Reconciliation. The Council currently has £12,489 in the bank. A further £1000 will be received shortly from the PLC. b) The Council resolved to pay the clerk's salary and expenses totalling £421.19 	LW
22/50	<p>Planning Applications and Decision.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 6/34/22/102 Allercott Farm Lawful Development Certificate. Approved. b) The Parish Council expressed concern to ENP that "change of use" at River Steep had not been addressed. ENP have been informed that the building will no longer be advertised as a holiday let. Parish Council to monitor. c) 6/34/22/103 Avil Nurseries Lawful Development Certificate. The Council knew of no reason to oppose this application but will express concern to ENP about the loss of yet another agricultural tied home being lost. 	LW
22/51	<p>Grass Cutting Tenders</p> <p>Mr Sobolewski had completed the first cut in the Play Area. CC and PP to discuss selective mowing with him.</p>	PP/CC
22/52	<p>Village Maintenance. Path between Bemberry Bank and Forge Cottages still needs to be completed. Bus stop needs to be treated. Old noticeboard to be removed.</p> <p>LW to investigate the possibility of a handle on the GH Street bin as it does not always shut properly and emits a smell. PP to discuss with Mr Sobolewski the costs of completing all of the above work.</p> <p>KW to ask Falcon about the possibility of a dog bin on the railings.</p>	LW PP KW
22/53	<p>Eco Update. CC gave an update to the Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) West Somerset Together meeting will be held in the village hall on 11th April. Posters and flyers to be produced. b) Eco Timberscombe meeting to be rearranged. c) LW to ask the Village Hall committee if the biodiversity maps could be put up in the hall corridor. 	CC LW
22/54	<p>Community Energy Programme. A lot of work is being done in the South-West. PP suggested that a meeting could be held in the Village Hall. PP to investigate.</p>	PP
22/55	<p>Parish Online Timberscombe is now registered with Parish Online. PP demonstrated some of its features. More work needs to be done to enter village assets.</p>	PP
22/56	<p>Chairman's and Councillors' Notices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) PP to see Magna re mowing b) SC to put up wildflower signage. 	PP SC
22/57	<p>Items for next agenda. None</p>	

Meeting finished at 9.30pm

Date of next meeting Monday 25th April 2022