

Combe Hay Parish Council

BATHAVON WEST WARD, BATH & NORTH-EAST SOMERSET

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7.00 pm
on Wednesday 9 March 2017 in Combe Hay Parish Church**

Present: Councillors M. Austwick (Chairman), A. Harrison, J. Long (Vice-chairman), , S. Saker, J. Young

In attendance: Ward Councillor Veale, R. Campbell (Clerk)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No member of the public was present.

17.24 **Apologies** Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors P. Mills and D. Samson.

17.25 **Interests** There were no declarations of interests.

17.26 **Planning**

(a) The following applications were considered:

17/00583/FUL 08/02/2017	Graden Farm Cottage, Wycotte Hill, Combe Hay, BA2 8RE	Demolition of existing cottage and erection of a replacement dwelling. RESOLVED to support (proposed Cllr Long, 2 nd Cllr Saker, unanimous). Observation: external lighting in this dark area should be kept to a minimum
17/00858/FUL 01/03/2017	Fosseway Environment Park, Fosseway , Bath BA2 8PD	Erection of reception building, provision of car parking and weighbridge and erection of lighting column. RESOLVED to leave to the planning officer (proposed Cllr Long, 2 nd Cllr Harrison, unanimous).

(b) The following planning decision was noted

16/06208/FUL 29/12/2016	Rowley House, Rowley Farm Lane, Combe Hay BA2 7EF	Erection of oak framed orangery extension to rear and open sided oak framed porch to front. Permit
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(c) 16/06049/FUL Cromwell Farm Councillors noted that lack of an established business (as required by B & NES policy HG10) did not appear, as far as could be ascertained, to be a major factor in consideration of the application. Cllr Austwick

noted that the existing barn would require change of use, as it currently had permission only for storage. In the event that the planning officer recommends approval, the Parish Council, supported by Ward Councillor Veale, will seek to have the application called in by the Development Management Committee and to speak at that committee.

17.27 **Finance**

RESOLVED (proposed Cllr Harrison, 2nd Cllr L Ong, unanimous)

	March 2017 payroll, inc HMRC	373.20
	Contribution to SLCC membership and Clerk's expenses	160.35

17.28 **Reports**

- The Clerk reported that he had updated the Risk Assessment Schedule, which was then reviewed by Councillors. The following to be considered in April: Code of Conduct, Burial Register. It was agreed that item 4a, inspection of grass cutting, was not part of the risk assessment and should be removed.
- It was noted that 'stopping up' of Combe Hay Lane at Week Farm, by taking some of the verge into private ownership, was now taking place. Cllr Harrison had visited the site and it was agreed that the road width remaining was as had been agreed with B & NES in December 2015, i.e. 6.3m at the maximum curve-in.
- The Clerk reported that he had updated the cemetery plan as far as possible; the list, anonymized for reserved plots, to be published on Combe Hay Village News to see if any further burials can be named.
- The Clerk reported that Kevin Rose of IAC had agreed to carry out the internal audit for 2016/17 at the same cost, £60, as the previous year. Councillors were content.
- Cllr Saker reported that some dead branches had been removed from The Avenue trees, but she thought only lower ones. She had not, as requested, been informed when the work was being done. The Clerk will ascertain if the work has been completed.
- It was noted that having one postcode for the whole village made life difficult for delivery people. The Clerk will write to Royal Mail to see if there is any way to improve matters.

17.29 **Meeting** The date of the next Parish Council meeting as confirmed as

13 April 19:00	Parish Council	Combe Hay Church
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It was agreed to include 'Welcome Pack' as an item on the April agenda.
Cllr Long made his apologies for April; apologies had been received from Cllr Mills
The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 20:25pm