CORSE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a bi-monthly meeting held on Tuesday 5th September 2017 at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr N Davis, P Burford, Cllr M Jones, Cllr D Preston, Cllr B Buck, Cllr G Bruce.

9 members of the public attended

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1. **Apologies for Absence**
   Apologies were received from Cllr T Jones.

2. **Declarations of Interest**
   There were no declarations of interest expressed.

3. **Approval of Minutes of the Ordinary Meetings of 4th and 12th July**
   Cllr M Jones proposed that the Ordinary Meeting minutes from the 4th July were agreed as a true record this was seconded by Cllr D Preston this was agreed by all Cllrs present. Cllr G Bruce proposed that the Ordinary Meeting minutes from the 12th July were agreed as a true record this was seconded by Cllr B Buck and agreed by all Cllrs present.

4. **Matters Arising from previous minutes**
   The path outside the Village Hall has been cleared by the Lengthsmen.

5. **Public Consultation**
   It was reported that the stile at the bottom of stone lane is exceptionally high on one side, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Suzanne Hopes at the FoDDC with a view to making this easier and safer to use.

   The police had fitted a speed monitoring device in the area of the Doctor's surgery, the Clerk will try to arrange for the feedback from this to be made available.

   Highways are to be advised that the roads around the village need sweeping thoroughly and all the drains need to be cleaned out.

   The new replacement lighting outside 23 Boundary Place now leaves dark areas around the alley and the neighbouring properties as the light merely shine directly down. It was agreed to contact Street Lighting to see if this issue can be addressed.

   The properties on the Land to the rear of Corse Grange have now started to be sold despite assurances having been previously given that properties would not be sold until all aspects of the development had been completed. The FoDDC is to be contacted to ascertain if this is a breach of conditions, if no response is received this item is to be forwarded to Philip Burford.

   The following are to be added to the list from Brian Robinson and passed to Amey.
   - Overgrown hedges on footpath in Prince Crescent
   - Overgrown hedges in alley way Compton Close/Boundary Place
   - Rubbish left in the area of Stoney Lane at the end of Price Crescent from tree cutting
   - Growth at top of Oridge Street and the sign is completely covered.
   - Overgrown hedges Chartist Way/Sovereign Close
   - Overgrown hedges along Jubilee Place footpath

6. **District and County Reports**
   District Councillor Philip Burford spoke to the councillors on several matters including the vote of no confidence regarding Patrick Molyneux, the new leader and cabinet and the Boundary Review which will be discussed under Agenda No 8.

   County Councillor Brian Robinson spoke to councillors on several matters including Children's Services, the additional road maintenance programme and adult care.

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7. Parish and Town Council Liaison Meeting

The invitation from Paul Hiett to attend the Liaison meeting at the FoDDC on Thursday 26th October was discussed and it was agreed that the Clerk would attend, it is hoped that Cllr Preston will also be able to attend.

8. Electoral Review of Forest of Dean – Draft Recommendations

Although Staunton and Corse are proposed to be in the same Ward Councillor Burford spoke to the Parish Council and the Parishioners regarding the problems that may be caused due to the size of the proposed Ward. Parishioners also felt that this would cause more issues than it solved.

It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange a meeting to consist of both Parish Councils and Parishioners so that suitable responses with regard to this could be sent from both Parish Councils.

9. Highways

All outstanding Highway matters have been advised to Brian and forwarded to Rhodri Grey, Brian is awaiting a response and the Parish Council will be updated when this information is available.

There is no report from the Police. It was agreed that the Clerk would make contact and invite them to a future meeting.

10. Finance

10.1 Accounts for payment: the payments as presented and attached to the minutes were proposed for acceptance by Cllr B Buck this was seconded by Cllr G Bruce and unanimously agreed – the cheques were signed.

10.2 The financial statement and cash re-conciliations for the month were approved and are attached to the minutes. These were agreed by all Cllrs present.

10.3 Budget and Precept

The proposed budget was circulated to Cllrs to take away and consider, this will be discussed at the November meeting for finalising and agreement for the Precept for January.

10.4 Noticeboards

A quote of £86 has been received for the repair of the noticeboard outside of the Price of Wales and the noticeboard in the area of the Doctor's surgery. This quote was accepted by all Cllrs present and the work is to be carried out by Mike Jones and Staunton Parish Council are to be invoiced for £43 for the shared costs.

It was agreed to obtain the quote from Mike Jones for the installation of the bench in the area of the noticeboard by the Price of Wales, it was further agreed that the works can be proceeded with provided the RFO and the Chairman agree that the cost is reasonable and affordable.

It was clarified, following a question from a member of the public, that the maintenance of the Memorial bench for Pat Lewis at the bus shelter is the responsibility of the Parish Council.

11. Planning

Application Reference	Property	Details	Comments
P1203/17/TCC	Snigs End Farm	Felling of 12 Elm Trees at Snigs End Farm	No comment
P1391/17/LBC	Oakleigh	Listed Building Consent for replacement of windows and door to north/front aspect of the property.	No comment

Appeal decision @ Greenacres: The chairman advised Cllrs of the timeline of this application, appeal and decision. In light of this it was agreed that representation of both Parish Councils needs to be made at meetings to enable the sharing of information.

12. Community Emergency Plan

This has now been completed by the Clerk and it was agreed that this would now be submitted to the FoDDC as a completed plan.

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13. Other items for Information Only/Future Agenda Items

- Cllr Preston requested that when planning matters are submitted for publication in the newsletter that a small side note is entered explaining that the Parish Council are only consultees and do not make the final decision on these matters.
- Bas advised that the War Memorial restoration is now complete and a re-dedication service will take place on Sunday 1st October at 12.30pm

11. Dates of forthcoming meetings:

7th November 2017	**2nd January 2018**	**6th March 2018**	**17th April 2018 Annual Parish Meeting**
1st May 2018 to include the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council			

This concluded the business of the meeting and it was declared closed at 9.10 pm

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