CORSE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a bi-monthly meeting held on Tuesday 2nd January 2024 held at
Corse and Staunton Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr R Hall, Cllr M Jones, Cllr P Burford, Cllr T Jones, Cllr D Preston, Cllr B Buck and Cllr A Collings.
The meeting was chaired by Cllr R Hall and the minutes were taken by the Clerk.
Dave Williams sent apologies as the Staunton Parish Council representative.

1. Apologies for absence
No apologies for absence were received.

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

3. Minutes of previous meeting(s)
It was proposed by Cllr D Preston that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 7th November 2023 be accepted as a true record, this was seconded by Cllr A Collings and agreed by all Cllrs present.

4. Public consultation
There were no members of the public present and no matters for discussion.

5. Reports

5.1 District Councillor Philip Burford spoke to the Cllrs on the Full Council Mtg including the services to be intgrated back into the FoDDC from Publica and the Biosphere reserve.

5.2 District Councillor Clayton Williams sent his apologies.

5.3 County Councillor Philip Robinson spoke to Cllrs on buses and DFT funding available, the incinerator at junction 12 on the M5 and the savings made, the new pothole machine, the number of road resurfaced in 23/24 and the new 'Fix My Street' reporting service for Highways.
Cllrs advised that the potholes along the A417 in the area of the BP garage that were previously repaired have all re-appeared and there is now a large damaged section of road which has subsided causing damage to vehicles, this needs to be fixed as a matter of urgency to prevent further vehicle damage or injuries.
To be reported as 'Road surface badly damaged, was previously repaired but now worse as all previous potholes have now merged into one. The road is now dangerous and needs to be repaired immediately and cannot be left till the new financial year. Vehicles are being damaged and due to the road subsiding are being forced to one side.
Philip Robinson is to chase on behalf of the PC.

Cllrs spoke to Cllr Robinson about the flooding on the A417 and the high levels of water being over the culvert in the area of Fourways and Nutshell Cottage. The land rises past Nutshell Cottage and impedes flow, however, the water level is higher on the side of Fourways than on the side of Nutshell Cottage which suggests that the water is unable to pass through the culvert under the road fast enough to clear. The PC firmly believe that a balancing pond needs to be restored in this area as soon as possible.
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6. Finance

6.1 The recently agreed pay award was discussed and it was agreed that this would be implemented and backdated to April 2023.

6.2 It was proposed by Cllr B Buck to agree the payments for January 2024 as circulated and presented at the meeting and listed below, this was seconded by Cllr D Preston and agreed by all Cllrs present. It was resolved that the payments be made.

Expenditure

Payee	Expenditure	PC	Amount
V Roberts	Salary & Home Working - December 23 & January 24	GPC	602.67
HMRC	PAYE/NI December 23 & January 24	GPC	140.20
GAPTC	Internal Audit 22-23	GPC	180.00
V Roberts	Office 365 Subscription	GPC	79.99

 Chairman's signature……. Date …….

Income

Source	Income	Amount
Natwest	Interest	3.53
Clark Trading	Pound Rental November 23	200.00
Natwest	Interest	3.32
Clark Trading	Pound Rental December 23	200

6.3 Financial statement and cash re-conciliation

It was proposed by Cllr B Buck to agree the income and expenditure to date, the bank reconciliation to date and the expenditure against budget to date this was seconded by Cllr D Preston and agreed by all Cllrs, and it was resolved to accept the statements.

6.4 Website Hosting and Migration

The information supplied by Phil Cook on the update on website hosting and migration was considered, it was proposed by Cllr B Buck that, due to the cost savings, this should be agreed and carried out, this was seconded by Cllr T Jone and agreed by all Cllrs present.

6.5 Budget 2024-25

The updated budget was discussed and it was resolved by all Cllrs present that the budget be accepted as presented and that the precept is increased by 10% to £7943 it was further resolved that the Community Initiative amount of £500 be frozen for 24-25 to increase general reserves. The precept paperwork will be submitted to the FoDDC.

6.6 Donations

It was agreed that the donations would be made again this year and will be agreed at the March meeting, the Clerk is to gather the applications and accounts in preparation for the meeting.

7. Police Matters

There were no Police matters to discuss.

8. Highways

8.1 Highways report

Highways matters were discussed under Agenda Item 5.3 with Cty Cllr P Robinson and there were no further matters to be discussed. Please advise any new matters to the Clerk or report via 'Fix My Street'.

9. Planning

To make recommendations to the Planning Authority upon the suitability of the following planning applications/appeals.

Planning Ref	Property	Planning Details	Parish Council Comments
P1560/23/PQ3PA	Little Hawthorns, Moorend Road, Eldersfield	Prior approval for the conversion of an existing barn into two dwellings and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion (resubmission)	This has subsequently been withdrawn

10. FoDDC Budget

It was agreed that the Parish Council had no comments to make.

11. Biodiversity

The Parish Council discussed the previously circulated Biodiversity Policy and it was proposed by Cllr B Buck that the Policy be adopted, this was seconded by Cllr D Preston and agreed by all Cllrs present.

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12. Community Speedwatch

The speedwatch application was discussed and it was agreed to ask for the following areas to be considered:

- Oridge Street approach from Hartpury
- Worcester Road between Barn Lane and Wickridge Street
- Worcester Road between Barn Lane to Straight Lane outside Bayliss Farm

13. Safer Streets 5 Funding Opportunities

The Parish Council are to advise that the Sports Pavilion will contact directly to discuss.

14. Other Items for Information Only/Future Agenda Items

- The Clerk circulated the D-Day 80 flags, the Cllrs favoured the red and white poppy version at a cost of £55.20, this is to be added to the March meeting for agreement.

15. Date of next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 5th March 2024.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

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