

# BATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Extra Meeting of Batcombe Parish Council held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020 via Zoom, commencing at 8.15pm.

**Present - Councillors:** Mary Comley – Chairman, Jayne Cox, Peter Glaisher, Janet Jones, and Ian Sage.

**Also Present:** The Clerk – Rob Sage and one member of the public.

**4948 – Apologies for Absence:** Apologies had been received from David Stevens and Justin Witcombe.

**4949 – Declarations of Interest:** None.

### **4909 – Planning Applications:**

Planning Application No: 2020/1983/TCA Works to trees in a Conservation Area. The Parsonage, Gold Hill, Batcombe – Works/Felling Trees in a CA. Multiple tree works were proposed the majority of which were the felling of Ash trees with Ash dieback. A neighbour expressed concern about the safety of the beech trees which were overhanging the road. There was discussion of whether some of the Ash trees could recover from Ash dieback, but it was noted that Ash would grow back quickly. The Parish Council decided to recommend approval.

Planning Application No: 2020/2051/TCA T1 – Beech – Fell due to shallow roots. The Old Barn, Batcombe – Works/Felling Trees in a CA. It was noted that this was the same application as No: 2020/2060/TCA below. The Copper Beech was close to the Old Barn and the owner was concerned having lost a Beech tree during the summer to wind. It was noted that all Beech trees had shallow roots and the Parish Council recommended refusal unless the Tree Officer felt that there was a danger to the property.

Planning Application No: 2020/2059/TCA T1 – Goat Willow - Fell. 6 Kale Street, Batcombe – Works/Felling Trees in a CA. The Goat Willow was in the centre of the garden at 6 Kale Street and the applicant stated that it would be replaced with a more appropriate tree to the side of the garden. The Parish Council recommended approval as there were no objections to the removal of this tree.

Planning Application No: 2020/2060/TCA T1 – Copper Beech – Fell. The Old Barn, Batcombe – Works/Felling Trees in a CA. This was the same tree and application as 2020/2051/TCA above.

The Clerk noted that there was another planning application to be considered at the next meeting. This was an application for an extension at Donegal Cottage that needed to be resubmitted in order to extend the period for the commencement of the works which had been delayed because of the coronavirus.

**4951 – Date and Time of Next Meeting:** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

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