

**Minutes of Combs Parish Council Meeting**  
**Monday 14 December 2020 at 7.30pm, via Zoom remote meetings**

(DRAFT UNTIL SIGNED)

**Present:** S Scarff (Chairman); T Chaplin (Councillor); V Whitehead (Councillor); K Oakes (County Councillor); J Matthissen (District Councillor) (left at 8:50); S Ottewell (possible new councillor); T Bletchley (possible new councillor); T Kitson (possible new councillor); T Bamber (Clerk).

**1. Apologies for absence**

I Walker (Councillor);

**2. Declarations of interest/ lobbying**

Cllr S Scarff in respect of 15 (non-pecuniary interest).

**3. Public Forum**

There were no members of public present.

**4. Minutes of meeting held on Monday 9 November 2020**

Minutes for 9 November 2020 were reviewed. It was noted that the details of the planning application under item 14 (Oaks Meadow) were incomplete and the clerk was instructed to correct this. It was then agreed that the amended minutes were to be signed as a true and accurate copy of the meeting by the Chairman.

**Action:** Clerk to arrange signature

**5. Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters not covered below

**6. County Councillor's Report**

Cllr Oakes referred councillors to her report that had been circulated (attached here as appendix 1) and invited councillors to contact her/the clerk with any questions. She also confirmed that she was still trying to speed up the provision of speed signs for the village.

**7. District Councillor's Report**

District Cllr. Matthissen referred councillors to his report that had been circulated (attached here as appendix 2).

**8. Parish Council Chairman's Report**

The chairman welcomed the potential new councillors and expressed the hope that they found their first meeting informative.

The chairman reported that he had spoken with David Thorpe to see if he might reconsider his resignation. Sadly, he does not propose to do so currently but it remains possible that he may one day return. To unanimous agreement the chairman expressed his appreciation of the support and depth of knowledge that would be lost with the departure of Mr Thorpe. Despite having left the council, Mr Thorpe has confirmed that he will continue to help where he can.

**9. Planning**

- a. Applications received for consideration:



- i. DC/20/05327 – Snowdrop Cottage, Park Road – *application for waiver of conditions*

Following discussion the council voted to object to this application, with the following comments:

It was noted that the original application, to which the parish council objected, had been amended to meet quite well the concerns of the council and residents, and the council had had no objection to that version. This new application to amend the conditions of that permission appear to be little more than an attempt to return the plan to that originally proposed and resisted.

In particular, the council noted:

- The proposed porch is not in keeping with the area;
- There should be no need for velux windows in the roof of the side extension;
- The size of the proposed extensions is disproportionate to the surrounding area;
- The extension would take the building into inappropriately close proximity to the neighbouring grade II listed building

**Action: Clerk to post Councillors' views on planning website**

- b. Decisions received from MSDC
- i. DC/20/03222 – 4 Ropers Row – Conditions approved
  - ii. DC/20/04100 – Home Barn, Park Road – *various modifications* – Granted
  - iii. DC/20/03717 – The Appleyard, Bildeston Road – *various modifications* – granted.
  - iv. DC/20/01174 & 01184 – Houses & commercial building at the Tannery – *granted*
  - v. DC/19/05573 - Two houses by Model Farm. *Appeal dismissed*
  - vi. DC/20/04438 – Two houses – Moats Tye Livery - *Refused*

All decisions were noted.

## 10. Finance

- a. **Accounts review to date** – Current Account balance as of 26 November 2020 was £32,103.06 and the savings account balance as of 30 November 2020 was £1,920.79 .

The budget analysis and financial summary were reviewed and accepted.

b. **Payments received**

- i. None received

c. **Payments to hand**

- i. EON Electricity for streetlights (direct debit) -£ 76.39). Approved by all councillors (*Parish Councils Act 1957, S.3; Highways Act 1980 S.301*)
- ii. CAB donation – agreed at last meeting. - £250.00. Cheque number 22241 was written, and the clerk will arrange for it to be signed (*Local Government Act 1972, s 137*).
- iii. Community Heartbeat – replacement pads £205.20. Approved by all councillors. Cheque number 22242 was written, and the clerk will arrange for it to be signed (*Public Health Act 1936, S234*)
- iv. SALC – Cemetery management webinar £ 48.00. Approved by all councillors. Cheque number 22243 was written, and the clerk will arrange for it to be signed (*Local Government Act 1972, s 111*).
- v. T Bamber – clerk expenses (stamps etc) £28.72 Approved by all councillors. Cheque number 22244 was written, and the clerk will arrange for it to be signed (*Local Government Act 1972, s 111*).
- vi. D Windle – Cemetery grass cutting £992.50. Approved by all councillors. Cheque number 22245 was written, and the clerk will arrange for it to be signed (*Local Government Act 1972, s 214(2)*).

**Action: Clerk to arrange signatures and send**





- d. **SALC Planning Webinars** : It was AGREED that the clerk be instructed to arrange access to the four available planning webinars, which are available through SALC at a price of £25 each webinar. The price is for a password that can be used by all councillors. He has agreed to pay using a personal debit card as cheques cannot be used, and will be reimbursed.

**Action: Clerk to acquire access and circulate details**

**At this point Cllr Matthiessen requested that item 15 be discussed as he had other council meetings to attend. This was done but is reported here in numerical sequence for the sake of good order.**

- e. **Church drain cover**: This had been discussed at the previous meeting (item 15 – correspondence). The clerk had verified that such expenditure would be permitted under the CIL terms. The CIL funds application form completed by the parochial church council had been received and circulated. Councillors noted that the amount requested was less than the full cost, as the church had sought financial support elsewhere as well. It was AGREED that the amount of £750 be granted out of CIL funds.

**Action: Clerk to arrange signatures and send**

- f. **Cricket Club request**: This had been discussed at the previous meeting (item 10 h). The clerk had verified that such expenditure would be permitted under the CIL terms and the CIL funds application form completed by the cricket club had been received and circulated. Councillors again noted that the club had sought to share the request among other potential sources and considered the amount requested reasonable. It was AGREED that the amount of £500 be granted out of CIL funds.

**Action: Clerk to arrange signatures and send**

- g. **Budget planning and Clerk salary**: The chairman reported that a sub-committee of councillors had met to discuss the clerk's salary and subsequently had met with the clerk to consider the budget for 2021/2022. Following these meeting (held via ZOOM), the proposal was put to the council that:

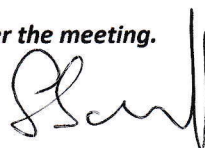
- i. The clerk's salary scale be set in accordance with spinal column point 18 on the National agreement on Salaries etc of Local Council Clerks, and that his contracted hours be changed from 5 per week to 7.5 hours per week.
- ii. A provisional budget for the next year be set as per the budget document that had been circulated (attached as appendix 3). It was proposed that there be no change to the precept (£9,000) and that the resultant shortfall between projected income and expenditure could be absorbed using some of the surplus that had gradually built up over the past few years. The clerk had been advised that, because of the pandemic, MSDC have not yet been able to determine the tax base, against which precepts should be set, and parish councils have been advised not to hold their precept setting meetings until after the 8<sup>th</sup> January (but before the 29<sup>th</sup>). Based on last year's precept and on the district council's provisional tax base figures, the precept for a band D house in Combs would be marginally lower than last year (by around 30 pence over the year). Notwithstanding the advice the council felt that it would do no harm to be prepared and it was AGREED that, provided the final tax base proved to be substantially similar to that predicted, the budget and precept proposed her be adopted for the forthcoming year.

**Action: Clerk to review MSDC tax rate when advised and either submit the precept as proposed or report back for reconsideration**

## 11. Councillor Vacancy

The chairman considerably pointed out to the potential new councillors that this may be their last chance to avoid co-option onto the council. All three confirmed their intention to persevere and indeed gave the impression of looking forward to it.

**Action: Clerk to process formalities with volunteers after the meeting.**



## 12. SID Data

The chairman expressed disappointment that despite the SIDs being an obvious influence of vehicular behaviour, many cars were still speeding through the village. Cllr Oakes explained that if a peak time for speeding were to be demonstrated by the data, then the police would consider monitoring the location.

## 13. Infrastructure Plan

As this was an item requested by Cllr Walker it was agreed that this item be deferred

## 14. Cycle Paths

The Chairman reported he had no update yet.

## 15. Oaks Meadow

Cllr Whitehead provided an update on the project

- a) **Planning application:** The application for two access points (pedestrian and vehicular), a pond and the compost toilets would cost 50% less, namely £117, with a portal fee of £25, if this were submitted by the council. Ian Clark has prepared the form so very little remains to be done. It was AGREED that the council would meet this cost and the clerk was instructed to liaise with Mr Clark for completion and submission of the application.

**Action: clerk to contact Mr Clark**

- b) **Insurance:** The steering group has obtained quotes in the region of £69 -£123 for public liability insurance. It was AGREED that the cost for this year be supported by the parish council, and that it be reviewed on an annual basis.
- c) **CIL Application for Compost Toilet:** the council had only just received the application, in the sum of £10,852.20. Councillors were unable to consider this as a formal proposal due to insufficient notice but they discussed it generally. It was noted that were the council to agree to the request, it would exceed the amount in the CIL fund. It is unlikely that further funds will be available for at least three years and the Council must recognise the possibility of other needs during that time. Some councillors did wonder if the proposed expenditure was the best use of donated funds, noting the absence of any other investment as yet. More fundamentally, it was pointed out that until planning permission had been granted it would be inappropriate for the council to contribute to any structure. Cllr Whitehead will report back to the steering group with a view to this being discussed more fully at the next meeting.

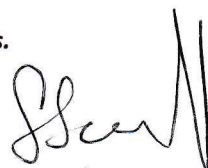
## 16. Dates of 2021 Meetings

The clerk had circulated proposed dates for meetings in 2021 and these were agreed. A copy of the list is attached as appendix 4. It was noted that, were the council to return to physical meetings it would be necessary to consider giving due notice to Battisford Village Hall committee if the suggestion of meeting in the cricket club were to be taken up.

## 17. Correspondence/Any Other Business

- The Chairman noted that the flooding after rain on Bildeston Road, by Ebbs House, was being attended to by the council. However there is an area of Mill Lane, outside the Nursery, that also floods each time there is heavy rain.

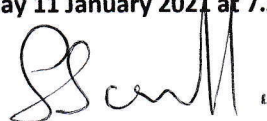
**Action: Clerk to report flooding to Highways.**





**18. Date and time of next meeting – Monday 11 January 2021 at 7.30pm**

The Meeting closed at 9.35 pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Smith', with a small mark at the end.



## December 2020 Monthly Parish Newsletter



Visit [suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus) for health advice, service changes, business support and schools' guidance.

Keep up to date on the latest guidance on Covid-19 from central government here: [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

### Current infection rates and pressure on county's hospitals among reasons for Suffolk entering tier two restrictions

Suffolk's current COVID infection rates, local hotspots and pressure on hospitals are among the reasons why the county will enter tier two local restrictions on Wednesday 2 December.

Following today's decision by central Government to place Suffolk in the High Alert tier, public sector organisations in Suffolk have set out their goal to get the county out of local restrictions as quickly as possible. They have also moved to help residents, business owners and employees to understand the restrictions that will apply across the county, and the reasons for them.

Whilst Suffolk has so far seen comparatively lower levels of infection than elsewhere in the region and country, the current infection rate (85 cases per 100,000 people) is more than double what it was when Suffolk entered tier one on 14 October (35 cases per 100,000 people). At the beginning of September, there were just five cases per 100,000 people. Parts of Suffolk, especially in Ipswich and Hadleigh, are seeing much higher numbers of positive COVID cases than anticipated. This all puts pressure on Suffolk's hospitals, which need to protect Suffolk's vulnerable residents whilst still treating non-COVID patients. There were 116 COVID patients in Suffolk hospital beds as at 23 November.

### Investing in Suffolk Trade as UK exits EU

As the end of the UK's transition period for exiting the EU draws closer, Suffolk's Public Sector Leaders (SPSL) continue to pay close attention to progress.



As part of their meeting on 20 November, SPSL heard more about how Suffolk is preparing and proactively planning to support future economic growth by strengthening Suffolk's trade offer.

Throughout the transition period, which began when the UK left the EU on 31 January 2020, SPSL have maintained a keen focus on local issues through the work of the county's Brexit Task Group, which was set up to understand and plan for the support and potential mitigation local businesses and residents may need.

As part of this, on 20 November, SPSL agreed to invest £490,000 over the next three years to support the continued strategic growth of Suffolk's economy and business community, and to support future local and regional business interests.

The money will be used by Suffolk Chamber of Commerce to strengthen Suffolk's trade offer as Trade Advisors proactively represent the interests of Suffolk's businesses and communities by showcasing local products and services. They will also identify, encourage and foster relationships with EU businesses, provide tailored advice and support to Suffolk businesses looking to enter international markets, and protect local business interests which need to operate under the new rules following the UK's exit from the EU.

The Suffolk Trade team will comprise the two existing Trade Advisors who were recruited to support Suffolk's efforts in March 2019, when Suffolk Public Sector Leaders agreed to invest £243,600 as part of Suffolk's allocation of Government funding. The latest round of funding will enable the extension of these Advisor roles through to 2023.

The £490,000 is made up from the following amounts:

- £350,000 to be used from the Suffolk Public Sector Leaders' pooled business rates budget.
- £140,000 to be used from Suffolk's allocation of the Government's Brexit funding.

As well as covering the employment costs for two Advisors, this funding will in time be used to recruit a further member of the Suffolk Trade team and will cover operational costs for communications, events and web-based information that will be used by the team to support local businesses and foster relationships with international markets.

## **Suffolk schools and businesses scoop national sustainable travel awards**

A Modeshift STARS accreditation is awarded to a business, education or community setting that actively brings about a positive change in travel behaviour.

The accreditation complements the county council's 'Let's make a change for the future' campaign, which is encouraging residents to consider more active and sustainable travel options during the COVID-19 pandemic to avoid overcrowding the county's transport network and, longer-term, to experience the benefits of improved health and wellbeing, less congestion and cleaner air.

The following schools and businesses have achieved their first level (bronze) Modeshift STARS accreditation, in recognition of their efforts to encourage active and sustainable travel:

### **Schools:**

- Bosmere Community Primary School in Needham Market – for their anti-idling scheme to encourage parents to turn off the car engines when dropping off and collecting their children.
- Carlton Colville Primary School – for the work of their Junior Road Safety Officers to reduce congestion outside the school gates by promoting cycle training and providing a new cycle and scooter parking area in the school's carpark.
- The Limes Primary School in Oulton Broad – for promoting walking, scooting, cycling and park & stride to school days. They also raised money to install a new cycle parking station at the school.



- Copleston High School in Ipswich – for the work they carried out to ensure active travel was considered as part of their recent building extension. This included cycle parking, equipment storage, and a drying room.

#### **Businesses:**

- Essex & Suffolk Water's headquarters in Lowestoft - for their efforts in encouraging staff to travel to work by sustainable transport via their staff incentive schemes and active travel to work days.
- Bovis Homes' Ribbans Park in Ipswich – for providing space for walking and cycling around their new development, which links with the town's existing infrastructure. They also encourage all their new homeowners to consider the use of active travel for short journeys.
- Fred Olsen's office in Ipswich – for increasing the amount of bicycle parking, creating four charge points for electric vehicles, and installing five new showers so that those walking, running or cycling to work can freshen up when they arrive.

### **Suffolk County Council delivers its largest digital care support project in record time**

Suffolk County Council has successfully delivered the largest digital care project in its history - from procurement to delivery in just 16 weeks.

Working alongside care technology specialists, Alcove and Rethink Partners, the council delivered over 750 Carephone devices to elderly and vulnerable people, both in and outside of formal care settings, to help them, their families and care providers stay in touch during the coronavirus pandemic.

The Carephone service is provided through the Alcove Video Carephone, a simple communication device that allows people with little or no technological ability to have two-way video contact with care workers, family members and other approved service providers. The project also delivered comprehensive training to both the user and their care providers on how to get the most use from this new technology.

Real life success stories from the project include one from Jeni, an 83-year-old retired teacher who lives in Bury St Edmunds.

#### **Speaking about her experience using her new Carephone, Jeni said:**

"The other day it was such a thrill as my niece showed me her granddaughter - who is just over a year old. She walked straight across the room and I saw her on the screen. It was really lovely to see her. It was the first time she had walked, and they gave me a call straight away so I could see her do it. I have only ever seen her in person once before, so it was such a pleasure."

This technology is helping to keep families connected, easing the pain of separation that all families have felt at some point since the pandemic started. It also provides essential welfare reassurance for the family and is helping to reduce incidents of poor mental health on both sides of the call. There are indications that this technology can have a positive, measurable impact on loneliness in older and vulnerable people.

The technology has also helped maintain and enhance the communication between care giver and care receiver. The benefits of this project continue to be felt and have provided clear insight into using this technology to improve care outcomes, especially over the coming winter.

### **'Keep active during the latest national restrictions' encourages new County Council chairman in first public statement**

A rallying cry for people to remain active was issued by Councillor Graham Newman on 10 November - his first public statement as civic head for the organisation.

#### **Councillor Graham Newman, Chairman of Suffolk County Council, said:**



"I know people are, understandably, concerned and anxious at the prospect of more national restrictions and with the onset of colder weather and darker nights the idea of being active can be daunting.

"However, I would encourage everyone, if they can, to be as active as possible over the autumn and winter months. Being active is good for both your physical and mental health and can be a great antidote to the way we're all feeling at the moment."

**Councillor Newman was particularly keen to highlight the resources available through the Keep Moving Suffolk campaign as an important source of information and advice. He said:**

"The Keep Moving Suffolk campaign website was a valued and trusted support for many people during the first set of national restrictions and will continue to be so for the weeks and months ahead. It has links to many great free tools to help people work out at home or outside in a safe way. If anybody is looking for ideas, or inspiration, then it's a great place to start.

"As a keen cyclist I would also recommend the Love to Ride campaign. Cycling is a great way to exercise in a safe, socially distanced way. If you haven't ridden in winter before, now is a great opportunity to give it a go."

## **Home, But Not Alone phonenumber goes live again**

The Home, But Not Alone free phonenumber, which supports vulnerable people in our communities who may be struggling with the impact of Coronavirus, went live again on 3 November.

The service was paused in August because of low demand and the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions. However, after the announcement of the second national lockdown, the service is up and running again.

**Chrissie Geeson, Chair of the Collaborative Communities Covid-19 Board and Head of Localities and Partnerships at Suffolk County Council, said:**

"The phonenumber was absolutely vital during the first lockdown and it is only right that the same support is on offer.

"The phonenumber helped thousands of people and families, who often didn't have a network of family or friends to call upon, access emergency support such as food and medicine deliveries and befriending schemes."

The telephone number is freephone **0800 876 6926** and is staffed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

## Appendix ii – District Councillor’s Report

### District Councillor Report for Onehouse Ward – December 2020

Covid 19	Mid Suffolk is administering payments of grants to businesses forced to close or suffering a significant loss of income during the current lockdown period. The current assessment of additional costs is £800k and income reduction currently stands at £1.3 million. Support from Central Government has so far totalled £2.2million. When shortfall in collection of council tax and business rates is also taken into account, the overall shortfall due to Covid 19 is £81k.
2019/2020 general fund expenditure	The predicted underspend on the revenue account is £848k, due largely to unfilled staff vacancies and delays in programmed projects. The capital account is also underspent due to delays in commencing projects and making programmed investments. It is predicted that over £13 million will be carried forward to the next financial year.
Housing Revenue Account (HRA)	Covid 19 has impacted on the HRA; there has been an additional expenditure of £46k in PPE and a forecast £792k loss of rental income. The Government has not yet announced any financial support for HRAs so the deficit will need to be met from reserves. Overall, the HRA revenue account is predicted to be in surplus for 2020/21 due to delays in carrying out capital projects. The HRA capital account is predicted to be underspent by £12.5 million due largely to Covid 19 delaying a start of construction of council house new build projects.
2020/2021 Budget	The budget setting process is under way; this will be a more difficult exercise than usual due to the uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. MSDC has suffered a loss of income and extra costs. Also, more and more residents are unable to make payments of council tax and council rents.
Investment in commercial properties	MSDC has made further investments in properties in Luton and Epsom for £10.5 million and plans to spend a further £15 million making a total of £50 million, all paid for on long term loans. These investments are managed by CIFCO. The property portfolio continues to decrease in value; two of the properties have been without tenants and some 30% of rental income is unpaid or delayed. Nevertheless, the Leader of MSDC is quoted as saying, <i>‘Through these careful investments, CIFCO will continue to bring in much-needed income to support our district’s recovery post-Covid’</i> .
Red Gables Garden Project	Red Gables have asked for baby native trees which can be dug up from our gardens, planted in pots and delivered to them in Ipswich Street, Stowmarket and left by their greenhouse. They will be grown on and supplied to village planting projects around Mid Suffolk
Infrastructure Funding Statement	A report on the major infrastructure projects for Mid Suffolk was presented to Cabinet in November. It will be published on the MSDC website on 11 December. Projects for future funding, partly through Community Infrastructure Levy, include a new bridge and lifts at Stowmarket Rail Station; increase in capacity at Bacton and Mendlesham surgeries and in Stowmarket; phase 2 of the Stowupland High School Masterplan; a new base for Stowmarket Safer Neighbourhood Team;



## Appendix iii - Budget

### Proposed 2021 Budget

CATEGORY	Total to Nov 2020	Budget 2020/21	possible budget 2021/2	Comment
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1 Audit Fees	£ 234.00	£ 250.00	£ 500.00	based on last year plus £250 for external audit (as income probably over threshold)
2 Barclif/media	£ 356.18	£ 550.00	£ 550.00	based on last year
3 Broadband for Village Hall	£ -	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	based on last year (may be needed if venue changes)
4 Burial Grounds Maintenance - Combs Cemetery	£ 287.50	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	based on last year
5 Burial Grounds Maintenance - St Mary's Churchyard	£ 480.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	based on last year plus tree survey (estimated cost at present)
6 Bus Shelter	£ -	£ -	£ 500.00	new roof
7 Clerk's Expenses - Petrol/Stationery	£ 73.19	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	based on last year
8 Clerk's Overtime	£ -	£ -	£ -	
9 Clerk's Salary & Expenses	£ -	£ 3,170.00	£ 5,062.00	agreed by separate meeting
10 Community Projects	£ 651.60	£ 1,200.00	£ 600.00	Need £250 min for maintenance
11 Councillors' Expenses	£ -	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	based on last year
12 Dog Bins Maintenance	£ 542.60	£ 550.00	£ 580.00	based on last year plus increase
13 Donations - Section 137	£ 350.00	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	based on last year
14 Election Expenses	£ -	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	Annualised NB £200 B/F from 2020/21
15 Hire of Hall	£ -	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	based on last year
16 Insurance	£ 260.68	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	based on new 5 year cost
17 Miscellaneous	£ 54.00	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	used for Moats Tye grass cut and J Crooks posts
18 Street Lights-Energy	£ 527.35	£ 1,200.00	£ 1,200.00	No reason to expect change
19 Street Lights-Maintenance	£ -	£ 2,000.00	£ 500.00	to discuss (NB 1500 earmarked through 2020)
20 Subscriptions & Fees	£ 329.98	£ 360.00	£ 400.00	Salc membership (330); Suffolk Preservation Soc (30 - not requested this May); Information Commissioner (35)
21 Training	£ 40.00	£ 400.00	£ 700.00	based on last year plus new cllr courses @110

identifies change from previous

**Cost totals** £ 4,187.08 £ 15,280.00 £ 16,192.00

Receipts	Total to Nov 2020	Budget 2020/21	possible budget 2021/2
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22 Reclaimed VAT	£ 2,080.23	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	
23 Deposit Account Interest	£ 6.72	£ -	£ -	is it worth it?
24 Burial Ground Income	£ 1,930.00	£ 4,500.00	£ 4,500.00	Hard to predict
25 Miscellaneous	£ -	£ -	£ -	as before
26 Donations	£ -	£ -	£ -	
27 Precept	£ 9,000.00	£ 9,000.00	£ 9,000.00	see options below - there are no set limits for parish increases.
28 CIL	£ 11,722.60	£ -	£ -	account separately

**Income Totals:** £ 24,739.55 £ 14,000.00 £ 14,000.00

Precept:	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
Tax base for Combs	301.88	312.01	315	(This is provisional - MSDC are in a flap)
Band D charge	£29.81	£28.85	£28.57	(if precept unchanged)

Effect of change in precept:	precept	£9,000.00	£9,500.00	£10,000.00	£10,500.00	£12,000.00
	increase %	0.0000	5.5556	11.1111	16.6667	33.3333
	new tax band D	£28.57	£30.16	£31.75	£33.33	£38.10 (precept/tax base)
	tax increase	-£0.27	£1.31	£2.90	£4.49	£9.25
	Tax increase %	-0.9184	4.5536	10.0564	15.5593	32.0677

## **Appendix iv**

### **Combs Parish Council Meeting Dates 2021**

Monday 11 January 2021

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May (AGM/APM)

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021

No Planned Meeting in August

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021