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LITTLE COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council, held in the village hall on Tuesday 9th April 2019 at 7pm

OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – Nothing to report

PRESENT – Chairman C Rabbette, Vice chairman J Gough, Cllrs A Dermont, M Kibble, P Morris and S Britten, District Cllr G Mackison and Footpath Warden P Gough

1. **APOLOGIES** – None received

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None declared

3. **MINUTES** from the previous meeting were approved but would be signed at the next meeting

4. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

5.

a) Highway Matters

- Speeding / Speed Data – It was reported that an engineer from Swarco had been out to look at the VAS sign and had made some adjustments but there were still issues with regard the brightness. It was considered that the battery life was not proving to be as efficient as we had hoped, especially as we had paid extra for ‘longer life’ batteries. It was agreed we go back to Swarco and ask for a second engineer’s visit, ensuring that a Cllr is available on site at the same time to discuss the problems
- Pool Close – Nothing to report at this time other than a WCC engineer had been in the locality

b) Footpaths/Rights of Way – Following a recent notice in the LINK for an assistant/deputy to help the Footpath Warden, one resident had come forward. The FP warden will make contact with him shortly

c) Lengthsman – A request had been made for £40 towards the cost of weed killer – this was approved

d) Planning -

- Fence at Orchard View, Manor Lane – with Wychavon District Enforcement Officers and a legal process is being followed through. The clerk reminded Cllrs that this was a lengthy process
- 18/02602 – Tudor Cottage – amendment to approved plans – approved by WDC
- 19/00627 – Hickley Piece – Change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage, construction of 3-bay garage and resiting of existing hedgerow – *there were no objections to this application*
- 19/00759 – Tythe Court, Manor Lane – application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development for proposed hay and implements barn - *there were no objections to this application*
- SWDP – nothing to report

e) BHCG – Next meeting scheduled for 17th April 2019

f) Ditches/ Water Courses – A new culvert under the Gt. Comberton junction had been completed and the damaged section in the adjacent ditch had been repaired

g) Phone box – Parts for the re-furbishment had been received, with work to commence shortly

h) Notice Board – The new notice board had been fitted

i) Trees – Payment from WCC had been received and we are awaiting delivery of the Wild Service tree

6. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT** – attached

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7. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – Nothing to report

8. FINANCE –

a) Payments for approval / made since last meeting – approved.

Clerks Salary	272.96
Clerks Expenses	12.00
Trees	118.80
Lengthsman (18/19)	204.00

b) Copies of the accounts had been presented to councillors

Account Balances:

Current A/c (after u/p cheques)	4154.93
Deposit Account:	4919.30
Petty Cash	61.21

9. HEALTH & SAFETY – Nothing further to report

10. CRIME :

- Crime Commissioner John Campion is attending Elmley Castle on 11th April 2019 – all local parishioners are welcome to attend
- Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr Rabbette had received interest from several villages prepared to get involved in the NW scheme. It is hoped to organise a meeting shortly

11. ELECTIONS – There will not be an election in Little Comberton. Cllrs Rabbette, Kibble, Dermont and Britten had completed and returned nomination forms. Cllr Morris advised that he would be prepared to be co-opted back on to the parish council. This was agreed. There are still two vacancies to be filled by co-option. Thanks were paid to Cllr Gough who had decided to step down at the end of this term.

12. MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS / DISCUSSION :

- **Village Hall Trustee** – As Cllr Gough would no longer be a councillor as from May 7th, there is a requirement for a parish councillor to be on the Village Hall committee - to be discussed at the next meeting

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 7th May