

2020/07

LITTLE COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council, held in the village hall on Tuesday 10th March 2020 at 7pm

OPEN FORUM – Points raised:

- Hayloft Planning Application – parishioners in attendance advised that they had been against the application. Cllr T Rowley reported that Wick Parish Council had been supportive whilst objections were raised by Little Comberton, Great Comberton and Elmley Castle Parish Councils. Cllr Rowley is keen to work with Hayloft, The Combertons and Elmley Castle to try and implement a scheme whereby traffic from Hayloft would have to do a left turn only out of the site to reduce the traffic movements through the villages. A meeting is to be organised with the Chairs of each of the three parish councils. *On hold during Coronavirus situation*

PRESENT – Acting Chairman L Haycock, Cllrs P Morris, N Jamieson and S Britten, A Dermont, District Cllr T Rowley and two parishioners

1. **APOLOGIES** – were received from Cllrs C Rabbette, A Dermont and M Kibble

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

3. **MINUTES** from the previous meetings were approved and signed. Proposed Cllr Morris, seconded Cllr Britten – all in favour

4. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

a) Highway Matters

- Pool Close – This has been scheduled into the 2020/21 highway budget, but we will continue to press for this to be done as soon as possible
- VAS Sign – an additional post for the VAS sign has been installed nearer the village centre.

b) Footpaths/Rights of Way – Forms have been completed and sent to WCC Footpath Officer from the new volunteer

c) Lengthsman – Cllr Jamieson has met with the LM and is continuing to work alongside him

d) Planning -

- Fence at Orchard View, Manor Lane – Cllr Rowley agreed to look into the up to date situation regarding the Enforcement Notice
- 19/02268 – The Old Rectory – single storey extension to form annex, relocation of outbuilding and demolition of garden wall – *Gone to appeal*. No further comments to add
- 19/02674 – Land off Pershore Road, Great Comberton – creation of new access and a rural workers dwelling – *Approved by WDC*
- SWDP – Nothing further to report.

e) BHCG – Nothing to report. Next meeting April

f) Ditches/ Water Courses:

- Gt Comberton Junction – Works have now been carried out

g) Trees / Tree Warden – Cllr Rabbette had been made aware that someone in the village may be interested in taking on the role of Tree Warden. The clerk was asked to chase up the cutting back of overhanging branches onto the village hall roof.

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5. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT** – Copy attached or available from clerk

6. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT** – nothing to report

7. **FINANCE** – Payments for approval / made since last meeting:

Clerks Salary		SO	261.36
Clerks Expenses		SO	12.00
Electric Light / Phone Box		714	50.00
Lengthsman February		715	144.00

a) Copies of the accounts had been presented to councillors

Account Balances:

Current A/c (after u/p cheques) **4033.42**

Deposit Account: **4928.39**

b) Internal Audit - the clerk raised the point of the internal auditor. Everyone was in agreement we use the same services as last year

8. **HEALTH & SAFETY** – Cllr Morris reported the Village Hall Committee were still having problems with the fire alarm in the village. Since there was no caretaker for the hall, each committee member had been allocated a specific area in the hall to inspect

9. **CRIME:**

- Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing further to report

10. **WEBSITE** – The future of the village website was discussed due to it not being updated as often as it should be. It was agreed that we should keep the domain name but work towards updating it. Cllrs Haycock and Jamieson were happy to work together on this

11. **MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS / DISCUSSION:**

- **Village Hall Insurance** - Cllr Morris raised concerns regarding the village hall insurance and to ensure it was adequately insured. The main problem being that the parish council own the original part of the hall, whilst the Village Hall committee own the new building extension. It was agreed that this should be looked at in more detail and reported back

10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Unknown due to the Coronavirus situation