

GREAT COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th September 2016 in the village hall.

PRESENT – Chairman K Collingwood, Vice chairman S Hickey, Councillors S Hamilton, K Barnes, T Pearce and H Peart,

APOLOGIES were received from Councillors R Williams and District Councillor G Macksion

MINUTES from previous meetings were approved and signed

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None declared

MATTERS ARISING

- a) Lengthsman – areas requiring attention:
 - The clerk to ask the LM to trim the footpath leading to the church
 - RoundUp to be sprayed around the base of the War Memorial
- b) Highway issues – nothing to report
- c) Police – Nothing to report
- d) Footpaths
 - Damaged style – in hands of CC – clerk to chase
- e) Planning
 - (i) 16/01292 – Barn House – Partial conversion of garage to form utility and hall and construction of new dormer – Approved by WDC
 - (ii) 16/01388- West End, Church Street – External Insulation – Approved
- f) New Homes Bonus
 - Marquee – Monies received and marquee purchased
 - Defibrillator – Reduced cost of defibrillator approved by British Heart Foundation. A flier to be delivered to all home in Great Comberton detailing costs before any application to be made to WDC for New Homes Bonus monies
 - Bench – To be looked into for a suitable replacement
- g) Phone Box – to be re-painted and glazed. It was agreed that the post box be re-painted at the same time
- h) Rooftops Housing – Councillor Barnes has been working with Rooftops to ratify some of the issues in and around Hands Orchard:
 - Repairs to fencing IN the play area had been carried out but still awaiting repairs to fence OUTSIDE of the play area
 - Footpath from lay-by to Hands Orchard – following several incidents where pedestrians had fallen, a request has been made to have the footpath re-surfaced
 - A request made for markings in the road in Hands Orchard to keep dropped kerb area clear of vehicles in order to enable less mobile clear access
- i) Allens Caravans – Allens Caravans have advised that a planning application is shortly to be submitted for additional units / pitches. The parish council thought it would be sensible for Allens to organise an ‘open event’ to enable residents to see the plans and ask any questions. Allens had responded that this will be done. No other details available at the moment, and the planning application will be dealt with in the usual way by the parish council as and when it is received.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – Nothing to report

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT - Copy attached

QUAY LANE – The parish council had been made aware of vehicles regularly using Quay Lane. The police had been made aware of the activity and the situation is being monitored

ECKINGTON BRIDGE – Concerns have been raised with regard the possibility of a weight limit being imposed on Eckington Bridge. The parish council agreed that County Councillor Hardman be made aware of the implications this would have on Great Comberton, in particular the bridged culvert at the bottom of the hill on Eckington Road.

30 mph ON WHEELIE BINS – A request had been received by the parish council for 30 mph stickers for wheelie bins. The clerk will look into costs involved, to cover the homes along the main through road

FINANCE

- a) Year End Accounts - A copy of the year end accounts had been circulated to councillors
- b) Payments for approval

S Hamilton	573	1128.96
L Yapp	574	127.75
L Yapp	575	12.00
B Arrowsmith	576	180.00
L Yapp	577	12.00
L Yapp	578	127.75
B Arrowsmith	579	192.00
Halls	580	100.00
O/D fee & Interest		30.41
Bank charges - NHB paid into GCHV a/c not GCPC		

- c) Annual Return – Awaiting report from External Audit

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- The clerk advised that the rent for Brailles Orchard is to be reviewed in 2017
- The parish council agreed to pay for Councillor Barnes to attend a training session – clerk to organise

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 2nd November at 7pm