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**LITTLE COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council, held on Tuesday November 14<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 7pm.

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** - None

**PRESENT** – Chairman C Rabbette, Vice chairman J Gough, Cllrs J Edwards, P Morris, S Britten, S Kottler and A Dermont, District Cllr G Mackison and footpath warden P Gough

1. **APOLOGIES** – None

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

3. **MINUTES** from the previous meeting were approved and signed

4. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

a) Highway Matters

- Speeding / Speed Data – County Cllr had offered £500 from his Members budget towards the cost of a VAS sign. Cllr Dermott had kindly offered to look into options and costings, taking into account cost of new batteries/battery life and warranties. The clerk to check on whether there was any funding available from road safety charities / incentives. *Action Cllr Dermott / Clerk*
- Pool Close – the situation will continue to be monitored and pressure on County Council to continue.

b) Footpaths/Rights of Way

- Definitive Map Modification Order – it was agreed that the outstanding M03 requested by Worcs. County Council be completed and returned, in order for any amendments to the Definitive Map to be included. Proposed Cllr Rabbette, seconded Cllr Gough – all in favour *Action Clerk*

c) Lengthsman – Actions by the LM had been evident, paying particular attention to grips. The clerk was to remind him about the overgrown saplings adjacent to the sub-station on the GC road. The clerk reminded the parish council that the budget had not increased at all since we had been using the service. It was agreed that the clerk write to CC, asking for them to review the budget and also to consider the possibility of issuing a permit/pass for the LM to use at the local landfill.

d) Planning:

- Great Comberton Golf Club – The officer had recommended approval for this application. Cllr Rabbette had spoke with the chair of Great Comberton Parish Council and it was agreed the comments from Little Comberton would be sent for them to include in their reasons for objection. *This application has since been refused.*
- 17/01989 – Orchard View, Manor Lane – Increasing the footprint of existing flat roof extension with the addition of bi-fold doors and roof light. Listed Building consent. *Since approved by WDC*

e) BHCG – Cllr Britten attended the meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup> and reported back to the parish council, next meeting in Overbury on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.30

f) Ditches/ Water Courses – Communication had been sent to all landowners regarding the issue of ditch maintenance. To date, only one contact had responded. The clerk is investigating ‘historic’ existence of a ditch on the Porters Cottages side of the Pershore Road, from the Gt. Comberton junction through to the dip and Marybrook and in communication with WDC. Cllr Gough suggested that the ‘subcommittee’ walk ALL ditches to establish areas of concern.

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- g) Village Website – A link now existed from the Little Comberton website to the MY PARISH County Council website.
- h) New Homes Bonus - £2721 available. It was agreed that this could be spent on a WWII memorial plaque and the phone box renovation, subject to consultation once costs had been clarified.
- i) Phone Kiosk – Awaiting quotes for sandblasting and internal renovations *Action Clerk / Cllr Morris*
- j) WWII Memorial – Wording had been approved by Sandra Taylor to follow up with final confirmation of spelling of all names *Action Clerk*
- k) Memorial Garden - It has been agreed that the parish council pay to Mr Lloyd, £250 per annum for the mowing of the Memorial Garden

**5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT** – Attached. It was further reported that a serious incident had occurred in a neighbouring village, with the defibrillator unit unable to be accessed. This emphasised the importance of the units being registered with neighbouring ambulance services. Cllr Gough offered to speak to Mr Kibble

**6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**- None

### **7. FINANCE –**

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

L Yapp (SO)	12.00	
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LCVHT (603)	36.00	
B Arrowsmith (W/Killer) (604)	30.00	
S Harte (BHCG Admin) (605)	30.00	
Worcs CALC (Training AD) (606)	60.00	VAT 10.00
B Arrowsmith (607)	144.00	
Royal British legion (608)	50.00	

- b) It was agreed to re imburse the LM for costs for weed-killer
- c) £30 to BHCG secretarial costs
- d) A donation to British legion of £50
- e) Christmas Wine – approval to purchase 12 bottles
- f) Transparency Code – the clerk reported on a recent training session which included changes, the full extent of the FOI/Publication Act and the forthcoming Data Protection Policy. It was agreed that a sub-committee meet in the New Year to fully discuss the changes and draft a budget for approval at our January meeting

**7. MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS / DISCUSSION** – nothing to report

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7pm