Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th January 2017 @ 6:30pm in the Green Room, Ashton under Hill

1. Progress reports
   1. Social Centre

* As for November minutes
  1. Bredon Hill Conservation Group
* No update, JB will update PC after next meeting
  1. PACT
* Nothing to report

* 1. Lengthsman
* Will be cutting back the verges on Cotton’s Lane
  1. Vehicle Activated Sign
     + Working for longer period since batteries replaced

* 1. Flooding
* Helen Harrison has asked for further work to be carried out to raise kerb outside her house to prevent potential future flooding of her dining room. SS to contact Cllr Hardman ACTION SS

* 1. Highways
     + Cllr Hardman has agreed to re-site playing field signage
* SS to raise uneven kerb opp The Close gate with Cllr Hardman ACTION SS
  + - Helen Harrison has asked for action surrounding cars (mainly football club) parking on the verge outside her house and destroying the turf. KR suggested she could write to football club. DC suggested grass could be replaced with tarmac, which would also benefit pedestrians. Sarah to raise with Cllr Hardman ACTION SS
  1. Trees in the Parish
     + Cllr McIntyre has obtained three quotes and was agreed by all that Jonathan Cook offered most professional service and best value at £1,500 plus VAT(reclaimable). This is for all the work requested. ACTION NM
     + Regarding Rails End issue with overhanging trees and poor internet connection, Cllr Rowley to remind them that they should contact Charles Archer regarding this or alternatively, BT. ACTION KR
  2. Communications
     + Cllr Rowley will be chasing the possible funding for new website through Wychavon ACTION KR
     + Cllr Smith has ordered perspex for front of PC noticeboard. Awaiting delivery & then installation ACTION SS/KR

* 1. Neighbourhood plan
     + There has been no positive feedback from the meeting held in November.
     + Cllr McIntyre suggested that we could hold a public meeting in
     + approx 6 months and invite a consultant/specialist to explain the NP more fully to residents. There may be a fee for this. Cllr Becket to seek further information ACTION JB
     + PC to also seek advice from Cllr Adrian Derby ACTION SS/JB

1. District and County Councillors’ reports:
   * + None
2. Planning

* W/16/02304 24 Wood Lane. Approved
* 16/02860 Kingham house. Approved
* 16/02188 Land off Elmley Rd
  + Main issues in original plan have been addressed in revised plan, i.e. linear development, affordable homes and smaller properties
  + In the design and access statement on pg. 35 they state “ this development reflects the needs and aspirations of the community” – for them to know this they should hold a village consultation so that they can demonstrate that their proposal does this. We feel that it is more likely the village would like to see more 2 and 3 bedroom properties – particularly 2 bedroom properties to buy for those in the village downsizing from family homes, as well as the proposed affordable homes for starter homes.
  + It would be good to see a bias for the current  village residents – perhaps a proportion of the properties designated for Parish residents?
  + Planting and natural screening, as previously proposed, needs to be in place to minimise the impact on the ANOB – they previously planned a village orchard area for instance
  + The road and footpath within the development must be adopted by Highways for  ongoing maintenance – it is not clear in the current proposal that this is the case.
  + We would propose that assuming the above are addressed and everything else is in place, we would support the proposal for 14.
* 16/02605 Long Carrant Park ME to complete

1. Parish councillor vacancy

* Possible candidate, will attend next meeting with decision

* Finance ME to complete

1. Correspondence for Information: To note the attached appendix of items which have been circulated or will be available for inspection at the meeting. (OR a list of items will be available at the meeting.)
2. Clerk’s report on Urgent Decisions since the last meeting.

* Gorse Hill fence. Footpaths committee will not be repairing this. Cllr McIntyre to get quote to repair or replace. ACTION NM

1. Councillors’ reports and items for future agenda: Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

* Precept decided upon at £17k
* Knotweed update on letter/s sent needed from Michelle please

1. Date of next meeting: 14th March 7pm. Meeting closed 8.20pm

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