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LITTLE COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council, held on Tuesday 10th April 2018 at 7pm

OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC QUESTION TIME - None

PRESENT – Chairman C Rabbette, Vice chairman J Gough, Cllrs S Britten, P Morris and A Dermont, District Cllr G Mackison, Mr M Kibble (candidate for vacancy) and one member of the public

1. **APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr S Kottler and Footpath Warden P Gough
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Cllr Rabbette declared an interest to be discussed under AOB (Fish & Chip Van)
3. **MINUTES** from the previous meeting were approved and signed
4. **CO-OPTION** – one application had been received. There were no objections and Mr Mark Kibble joined the meeting
5. **PROGRESS REPORTS**
 - a) Highway Matters
 - Speeding / Speed Data – Speed monitoring had been carried out, with 30 vehicles travelling between 27 and 39 mph (three of which were travelling at 36/37 and 39 mph). A request has been made for a supply of wheelie bin stickers, reminding drivers of the 30mph speed limit, from the Safer Roads Partnership. We are awaiting confirmation that they will provide them. A cheaper option of VAS sign had been sourced but was initially considered to be of a more urban design. It was suggested that we approach WDC to see if they would consider an application for funds from the NHB towards traffic calming. Changes to the allocation, spending and criteria of NHB are imminent so we will await the outcome of the decision-making
 - Pool Close – CC had taken a look at the poor condition of Pool Close, and suggested that there MAY be some hope of re-surfacing
 - b) Footpaths/Rights of Way – The clerk had provided signs for landowners to put on gates, requesting that dog owners clean up after their dogs. A suggestion was made by the member of the public, that a dog waste bin be purchased but the chair reminded those present that this had been a topic of discussion for many meetings in the past and it had been agreed not to pursue any further.
 - c) Lengthsman – The LM has been noticeably active attending to grips throughout the parish.
 - d) Planning:
 - Orchard View, Manor Lane – The owners have been asked to reduce the height of the fence
 - The Old Post Office / Old Shop – awaiting to hear back from enforcements regarding replacement windows
 - 18/00331 Tudor Cottage, Manor Lane – erection of rear extension and building of boundary Cotswold stone wall on n/perimeter of site adjoining Ashley House – *Approved by WDC*
 - The Grange, Wick Road – A planning application is awaited for the building of a new garage.
 - e) BHCG – Next meeting is scheduled for 11th April

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f) Ditches/ Water Courses – The clerk had made contact with the owners of Derretts Field and had been advised that they regularly checked the ditch. A request made for the LM to take a look at the ditch at Old Fallow – seems slow moving *Action Clerk*

g) New Homes Bonus - £3713 now available, but there are changes to be made in the protocol and criteria. A consultation letter will shortly be distributed to residents regarding the proposed improvements to the phone kiosk and the new plaque at the Memorial Garden

i) WWII Memorial – It had proved to be an arduous task obtaining 100% clarification of the names to be included. It was agreed that in the consultation letter to residents, we include the wording and names for their approval as the clerk had been advised to ensure that thorough consultation had been carried out. It was agreed that we also post this information on the village website.

j) WWI Statue - A suggestions had been made by a resident for a 6ft statue to commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1. The parish council agreed that it would not be appropriate at the Memorial Garden as it is close to the Listed War Memorial and may be subject to planning and Listed Building approval. We also took into account that it would be difficult to clean, may cause problems with mowing around it and could be a target for theft. The clerk would advise the resident of the parish council's decision.

6. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT – Copy available from the clerk if requested.

7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT- None

8. FINANCE –

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

LCVHT		618	12.00
B Arrowsmith		619	144.00
L Yapp		SO	12.00
L Yapp		SO	258.90
L Yapp (F/War records)		620	8.95
LCVHT		621	12.00
B Arrowsmith		622	240.00

9. HEALTH & SAFETY

- Cllr Kibble advised on the concerns of defibrillators being stolen.

10. CRIME – Following a recent theft in Pool Close, it was suggested that we should explore the Neighbourhood Watch notification scheme, or alternatively see if there are any other schemes accessible to us to receive notifications *Action Clerk*

11. MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS / DISCUSSION

- Data Protection – clerk is awaiting further details and training course from CALC
- Fish and Chip Shop Delivery (Cllr Rabbete did not participate in the discussion) – Great Comberton had made contact with the clerk, advising of a Fish and Chip van visiting Great Comberton monthly, and whether Little Comberton wanted to participate. It was agreed that the company should organise any 'canvassing' themselves rather than involving the parish council
- Cllr Morris reported that the village hall roof is soon to be repaired

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- Notice Board in Pool Close – this is in need of replacement. Cllr Gough would look at the new board in Elmley Castle to see if this would be suitable
- Tree Warden – Glyn Williams had announced that they are soon to be leaving Little Comberton and a new Tree Warden was needed
- Trees in Wick Road – following the cutting down of two trees, CC had agreed to replace. Location would need to be agreed and a necessary 'permission' applied for

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS: Tuesday 1st May 2018