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GREAT COMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th September 2018, in the village hall at 7pm.

PRESENT – Chair K Collingwood, Vice Chair K Barnes and Cllrs H Peart, T Pearce and S Hamilton, County Cllr A Hardman, District Cllr G Mackison and 2 members of the public

APOLOGIES were received from Cllr S Hickey

MINUTES from previous meeting were approved and signed

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – K Barnes – Rooftop Housing shareholder

OPEN FORUM - Issues brought to the attention of the parish council:

- Footway – it was reported that a section of footway was breaking up, and narrowing.
- Drainage/ditch adjacent to Brailles Orchard – it was reported that that the pipe in the ditch which is fed by drains requires investigation, as frequently the manhole cover at corner of Church Lane lifts due to overflow
- Russell Street drains – all require jetting

County Cllr Hardman made a note of these issues and would forward to Highways for action

MATTERS ARISING

- a) Lengthsman – nothing to report
- b) Highway issues:
 - Road edges on Great Comberton Road (near Golf Club) require attention
 - Fly tipping on Great Comberton Road – *this has since been reported*
- c) Police – No crimes reported. District Cllr Mackison advised that the Chief and Crime Commissioner would be attending the meeting at Elmley Castle. He had expressed concern over the lack of police intervention with recent issues in the village
- d) Footpaths – Footpath rear of Vectris House – Cllr Collingwood had spoken with the owner of the property and advised that it was their responsibility to attend to the hedge on the footpath side. The owner had advised that this would be attended to, although yet had not been done. It would be monitored in case they were waiting for the end of the nesting season before any works are carried out
- e) Planning :
 - 17/01435 – Allens Caravans – The Inspector had approved the application for 81 caravans although there were a number of conditions imposed. Cllr Collingwood has asked 2 experts to see if there are grounds for a judicial review. It was considered that the Inspector's decision did not include any benefits for the community. It was agreed that should the decision stand, the parish council should look at ways of 'engaging' with Allens Caravans with a view to working together in the future.
 - 18/01564 – Church Cottage, Church Street – timber frame cleaning and repairs – there were no objections to this application
 - 18/01570 – Hollyoak Nursery – Extension to existing glasshouse – concerns were raised with regard the ongoing development at the site and increased vehicle movements – together

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with the visual impact from Bredon Hill. It was agreed that the parish council object to this application and draft comments would be circulated before submission to WDC

- f) New Homes Bonus – currently stands at £4642. *Suggestions welcomed*
- g) Rooftop Housing – Cllr Barnes reported:
- Playground – a questionnaire would be distributed to residents to gauge interest in improved facilities
 - New residents had settled in well. Cllr Barnes and a couple of residents meet regularly to identify any issues that require intervention
 - Fly tipping had been carried out at the rear of the garages. Cllr Barnes would report this to WDC
- h) Sign at the Quay (Avon Navigation Trust) – Cllr Collingwood met with representatives from ANT, pointing out the fac. A number of options were put on the table, ranging from complete removal of the sign, cutting the sign into 3 and only displaying certain sections or leaving it as it is. These options would be put to the parish council for their opinion before any decision is made.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – County Cllr Hardman took note of the highway/drainage issues brought to meeting by residents in attendance.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT - to follow

GDPR - the clerk had circulated draft Data Protection Policy and Privacy Notice to Cllrs. These were approved. Thanks were made to Cllr Hamilton for her involvement with this.

FINANCE

- (i) Payments for approval/made since last meeting:

Cerks Salary s/fall	657	9.76
Youth Bus Donation	658	25.00
Lengthsman	659	120.00
ICO Fees	660	40.00
Lengthsman	661	144.00
Brailles Orchard	662	100.00

- (ii) Bank Reconciliation:

Current Account	1293.11	
Less u/p Cheques		
Lengthsman	120.00	
Lengthsman	144.00	
Brailles Orchard	100.00	
HMRC PAYE	92.60	
Less U/Presented Qs	456.60	836.51
Deposit Account		5840.94
TOTAL		6677.45

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BRAILLES ORCHARD – Agents of behalf of the landowners had advised that the rent for the orchard is to be increases from £200 per annum to £250 per annum. The agents had provided us with information for comparable sites, and it was suggested that a Cllr makes a visit to each of the comparable sites in the first instance. The clerk would obtain the site information.

AOB/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – Concerns were raised with regard the ongoing disruption in Russell Street during building works and the effect this is having on the residents. Cllr Mackison agreed to take a look and establish if there is any enforcement issue.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 7th November 2018