

Minutes of the Meeting of Little Compton Parish Council held on Monday, 18th July 2016

Present. Cllrs. Rudge, Hall, Robinson and White, District Cllr. Gray, Clerk Vicki Hanks, 4 members of the public and Mrs Sarah Brooke-Taylor.

Sarah Brooke-Taylor of Warwickshire Rural Community Council addressed the meeting about going forward with a housing needs survey. The Parish Council will discuss this further at the next meeting and make a decision on whether to go ahead or not.

1. Declarations of Interest. None.
2. Apologies for Absence. Cllr. Ashford and Mrs Ann Hanks.
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 16th May 2016. On a proposal from Cllr. White and seconded by Cllr. Hall, the minutes were agreed and signed accordingly.
4. Matters arising from the Minutes not included elsewhere on the Agenda. Cllr. Rudge said she had telephoned Karen Stanley of S.D.C. about fireworks being let off without prior warning and thus frightening animals. A message was left as she is away on holiday.
5. Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Monday, 20th June 2016. On a proposal from Cllr. Hall and seconded by Cllr. White, the minutes were agreed and signed accordingly.
6. Matters arising from the Minutes not included elsewhere on the Agenda. There were none.
7. Date of next Meeting – Monday, 19th September 2016.
8. Reports from District Cllr. Gray Cllr. Gray reported that the Core Strategy had now been approved. In response to Cllr. Ashford's query about funding for the Defibrillator, Cllr. Gray said that Great Wolford had got funding and he would pass on the minutes of their meeting for the details. Also the Health and Wellbeing holder at SDC suggested the Arrhythmia Alliance might be a source of funding..
9. Questions and Comments from the public. Cllr. Hall asked Cllr. Gray if someone from S.D.C. could give an explanation as to why S.D.C. agreed a deal re. Briars Close rather than continue to the Public Inquiry as West Oxfordshire had. He said that S.D.C. thought there was a high chance they would lose the appeal and they were trying to ensure they would be able to stop caravans being sited on the land. He will ask if someone will come to a meeting to discuss or put on paper the reasons for this decision.
10. Village Maintenance. Several pot holes reported in February have still not been repaired. A meeting had been requested with Mr Jeff Morris' successor Mr Ryan Phillips when the defects had been marked with yellow paint and it has been confirmed these are on the Council's list to be repaired.

Several people have concerns about the number of jackdaws and crows which are causing problems in the village. S.D.C say there is nothing that they can do about this.

The Parish Council is currently trying to obtain a grant for the installation of the defibrillator box at the Village Hall.

The manhole cover stolen from Drivers Lane is on order, and will be fitted as soon as it arrives. The waste bin stolen from the layby on the A44 has been replaced.

11. Cemetery. There has been one burial and one headstone request since the last P.C. Meeting. The original request was for a black granite headstone but we have asked for it to be grey. The stonemason said the family had chosen a grey one in the event of this happening, but nothing has been confirmed as yet.

12. Footpaths and Bridleways. There have been two complaints: one relating to the overgrown footpath between Pool Close and Newtown - Mr McKerron has now dealt with this. The other concerns the bridleway opposite Redlands Farmhouse - Mr McKerron plans to do major works there in the Autumn, but in the interim is going to allow walkers or riders to use the side of the field.

13. Village Website. Cllr. White is hoping that this will be up and running by the next meeting. Hopefully there will be an article about it in the September edition of Centrepont. Also the Emergency Plan is almost complete.

14. Playground. Cllr. Robinson reported that he had visually inspected the playground on a regular basis and all is in order. The quote for this year's safety inspection has been received and is £62.50+VAT (£75) the same as last year. This quote has been accepted and the inspection will take place sometime during September. Before the inspection Cllr. Robinson would like to spray the grass which is now mostly concealing the rubber safety matting.

15. Financial. Approximate balances at the bank – Current a/c £3576.81
Deposit a/c £8497.34

16. Planning Applications. Briars Close was discussed in agenda item 9.

16/01207/FUL	Kitebrook Farm Change of use of land and construction of winter turnout areas.	Granted
16/01485/FUL	4 Pool Close Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory to be attached to previously approved utility room extension.	No Objections
16/02273/TREE	6 Redlands Row Various tree works.	No Objections

17. A.O.B With no other business the meeting closed at 8.18pm