

Minutes of the Meeting of Little Compton Parish Council held on **Monday ^{15th} October 2018.**

Present: Cllr's Robinson (Chair), Righton, Evans, Reeves, District Cllr Gray, Clerk Vicki Hanks and 4 members if the public.

1. Declarations of Interest. There were none.
2. Apologies for Absence. Were received from County Cllr Barker and Miss Clare Hall.
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd July 2018, on a proposal by Cllr Righton seconded by Cllr Evans they were agreed to be a true record and signed accordingly.
4. Matters Arising from the Minutes not included elsewhere on the Agenda. There were none.
5. Date of Next Meeting: Cllr Robinson felt that reducing the number of meetings in the past year hadn't worked and so it was agreed that we would go back to the 6 meetings as in previous years. Dates as follows:- Monday's 28th January, 18th March, 20th May, 15th July, 16th September and 19th November.
6. Vacancy on the Parish Council. Cllr Robinson reported that Clare Hall has withdrawn her interest in re-joining the Parish Council, therefore there is still a vacancy. Putting another notice in Centrepont and putting a notice on the boards as to what is expected of a councillor were discussed.
7. Reports from District Cllr. Gray and County Cllr. Barker. Cllr Gray reported there is report detailing the current state of the district and how well the District Council is doing. It reports that the district population is growing, people within the district are getting older and wealthier with housing going up in value. On the downside, crime is rising and there are more people seriously injured on our roads.
8. Questions and Comments from the Public. Mrs Gillett mentioned the large hole in the road from Kitebrook towards Barton has still not been attended to despite 3 visits by various people to look at it. The Clerk mentioned an Email has been received informing the parish council that work will be commencing on 9th November. The parking in the layby at Kitebrook was also discussed and Cllr. Righton reported that she has looked into it and there are no regulations to determine who or for how long someone can park in a layby. On mentioning it was felt that it is becoming dangerous to pull out of the junction, statistics were looked into and as there have been no accidents there in the last 10 years it wasn't deemed an issue.
9. Village Maintenance Report

- i) Adoption of Housing Needs Survey. On a proposal by Cllr. Robinson seconded by Cllr. Evans the village housing needs survey was adopted.
 - ii) Adoption of Parish Tree Survey. On a proposal by Cllr. Evans seconded by Cllr. Robinson the Parish Tree Survey was adopted and it was agreed to get quotes for the works the survey suggested needs doing.
10. Playground Report. Cllr. Righton has visually inspected recently and all is in order. Cllr. Robinson reported the annual inspection is due in November and wondered if there were any helpers willing to help with some cleaning before the inspection.
11. Cemetery Report. Cllr. Robinson has been approached by someone wanting a plot. He also feels the prices need to be increased as they haven't been looked at for a number of years. On a proposal by Cllr. Robinson seconded by Cllr. Righton it was agreed on a 10% price increase in-line with RPI over the 7 years since the last increase. Cllr. Reeves reported that he with the help of Mrs Hanks had been into the cemetery recently to give it a bit of a tidy up.
12. Footpaths and Bridleways Report. Cllr. Reeves reported all to be well with the footpaths for the time of year.
13. Financial:
- i) Half Year Accounts. The RFO presented the half year accounts. Also the purchase of the approved new laptop was discussed.
 - ii) Tenders. The grass cutting tenders were discussed with all to be the same as last year and a return date of 7th January.
 - iii) Expenditure for Approval. £700-800 on a new laptop was approved on a proposal by Cllr. Righton seconded by Cllr. Reeves
14. Planning Applications. Cllr. Robinson reported on only 2 recent applications, both for tree works. He also reported that the declined application at Peewit Cottage has gone to appeal. It was agreed the council would reiterate the objections previously submitted.
15. A.O.B. Cllr. Reeves mentioned the damage to the path on the corner by the manor. He has been in touch with highways who have said they will come out to take a look. Cllr. Reeves has also made an enquiry to the flooding team to see if they would come out to go around the village to determine any areas which may need attention. This was agreed and will be arranged at a later date.

With no other business the meeting was declared closed at 8.22pm.