Long Newnton Parish Council

Minutes of the full council meeting held on March 2018

Members
Diane Thomas Chair
Katherine Landale
Richard George
Jill Peacey

In attendance; Andrea Warrington- (Clerk)

Joined the meeting : Glyn Hanniford $\,$

Apologies Received: None

3-2017/18	1	Apologies for Absence – None	
3-2017/18	2	Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda – None received	
3-2017/18	3	To approve the Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 7 th December 2017 – It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held 7 th December 2017 as true and accurate record of proceedings. Proposed: Bean Landale Seconded: Debs Brock Doyle 3 in favour.	
3-2017/18	4	Public Questions (if Any) None	
3-2017/18	5	To discuss the appointment of a Tree Warden: Glyn Hanniford had volunteered to act as the Long Newnton tree warden. Debs had been in touch with the Tree Wardens association for Glos. And we have obtained a handbook. The duties are voluntary and there is an AGM each year coming up shortly where we think there is to be a change of management. Glyn asked for a Parish boundary map and was told that the PC would consider paying out of pocket expenses for meeting attended etc. It was suggested that as a starting point a "Tree Survey" would be undertaken and from that we could provide a plan of how to care for each of our trees. Debs to compile a report for the web site and Andrea to prepare an email for the village residents to let Glyn know if they have a favourite tree in the village or any special notes of interest regarding specific trees or anyone who has a knowledge of trees. Andrea to add £100 to the annual budget for tree work.	AW DBD
3-2017/18	6	Clerk's Report – Clerk reported that she had received several positive comments regarding the request to dog walkers to pick up after their dog whilst walking on paths and footpaths in Long Newnton. One resident had complained as to the wording of the Glos. CC poster. We have received an excel spreadsheet including the up to date electoral register.	
3-2017/18	7	Broadband Speed —. Bean reported that there are now two choices for fast broadband 1. Voneus which is wireless and costs £150 to install and run with a mast system in various locations. The cost would then be approximately £30 for unlimited broadband per month. We may need a booster mast which it may be possible to locate on the cuurch. Bean to discuss with Mike Tucker 2. Gigaclear: coming in about 2 months may be more reliable but will be more expensive.	KL
3-2017/18	8	Highways Update on village- We now have three posts installed through the village ready to rotate the speed awareness signs. Kev Beck has agreed to take on the management of the sign moving it around in accordance with the agreed time scale. We have £3125.00 + VAT (including signs, batteries charger, cables carriage and installation) to pay and a pro-forma invoice will be issued shortly. Clerk to arrange payment when received. It was suggested that once installed we should inform the residents via the web site advising them that even if the sign is not flashing it is still recording data which will be routinely sent to the police who will analyse and take the necessary action. We have received agreement for a lorry size passing place to be situated in the narrow part at the	AW
		beginning of Church Lane. This has been agreed on a 50/50 community matching scheme. Fortunately, Melcourt have kindly agreed to pay half towards the cost as they are responsible for a large proportion of the heavy traffic routing along Church Lane. Installation will be in next year's budget so definitely after April. This has been approved by Highways and we are awaiting an estimate from Amey. The possibility of installing gates at the entrance to Long Newnton village along Church Road has now been put on hold.	
		A big thank you was made to Debs B-D who very kindly gritted the Newton Hill area during the recent heavy snow. We now have only one or two bags of road salt left so when we are asked net winter we should order some more to stock up.	AW

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		We have received a complaint from Mike Tucker about the trees which have appeared along the wall opposite the two barns in Church Road. It is thought that Mr Fenton had planted these notwithstanding being told that he was not allowed to plant on the verges at our last meeting. Minute Minute 2-2017/18 13 Chairman to write to Mr Fenton to ask him to remove the trees by a certain date or they will be removed also to review with the Highways team.	DT
3-2017/18	8	Website: consider display of the moving loop showing latest news as hidden items are not easy to find. Possibility of a banner flashing date of next PC meeting. Clerk to investigate	AW
3-2017/18	9	Troughs and Planting – Debs still has a £20 voucher which will be used to add colour to our troughs which are looking a little sad at present. It was agreed that the dead plants should be removed and new ones added until the bulbs come through.	DBD
3-2017/18	10	Re-cycling at Tescos It was reported that the recycling will not be reinstated at Tescos and has also been removed from Tescos Cirencester.	
3-2017/18	11	Data Protection We are waiting for more guidelines from GAPTC regarding General Data Protection regulations. The current guidelines are that we should not sign up to anything until we receive further guidelines as to how small councils should protect themselves following the introduction of the DPA in May this year.	
3-2017/18		Wildlife in the village The Barbury Moth project has been very successful and 17 new bushes have already been distributed at 6 locations across the parish. Phase 2 will continue in the Autumn when several 100 plants will be available for distribution. RG	
3-2017/18	10	Finance	
3-2017/18	11	To approve payments (if any), GAPTC subs £49.83: Came and Co Insurance £218.00	
3-2017/18	12	To receive most recent income and expenditure figures: Donation Citizens Advice £100, Ink Cartridges£ 52.26 + £32.38, Glos Wildlife training day £240.00, bat walk £162.00,	
3-2017/18		Bank Balance at meeting date £8407.00	
3-2017/18	13	Royal Wedding Village Celebrations: Two dates were suggested either Friday evening 18th May or Saturday 19th May. The latter clashes with the FA cup final on Television. The following suggestions were made: Hog Roast: Clerk to contact Patrick Keen regarding this. Egg and spoon race, tug of war possibly ending with pub night (if Friday night is decided). We need to circulate the village asking for volunteers to help with organisation Debs BD to co-ordinate. This will happen before our next meeting so lots will have to be done with sub-committee or emails.	AW DBD
3-2017/18		Planning — Application: The Old Cowshed Nursery Barns It is thought that the latest Nursery Barns application for a animal shelter with storage above will be approved but with the proviso that it is for animal use only, and the storage container should be removed once building complete. PC to monitor. Application: Mitchell Little Larkhill Grange: No issues raised.	DT
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3-2017/18		To consider and agree any responses to correspondence received for reply –	
		Other Matters: Flowers have been sent to Emma & Paul Barker: Paul has been in intensive care with flu and pneumonia. Emma passed on her thanks to the Parish Council for their kind thoughts.	
		Bean stated that Beveston council have an annual meeting with villagers, Church, police and other interested parties. It was wondered if we should try to do the same possibly ending with a pub night in the Church. To be discussed at next meeting.	
		Date of next meeting 7 th June 2018	
		Agenda items for next meeting:	
	1	Andrea Warrington Clerk/RFO Long Newnton Parish Council	1