TIBBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th July 2018

Present: L. Davis, D Nutting, H. Kingham C Bevan, C Ackerman, S Waller, B. Tarrant, J Horne, B Robinson.

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes of meeting held on 14 May 2018

Minutes had been previously distributed and were signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising

(i) Pruning of Lime tree on Orchard Rise- DN has had a quote for £250.00 + vat. After discussion it was decided to leave the tree to follow its natural habit.

DN also had a quote for £100 for removal of the dead Elm tree on the road side bank. It was agreed that a Tibberton resident would fell the tree without a cost.

(ii) The old telephone kiosk has now been repainted.

4. Planning

(i) Oak Tree Cottage – erection of agricultural building. Plans examined and discussed at length. A letter was read out from the planning applicant explaining that the new building would be used for agricultural machinery and livestock.

Council objected on the grounds of lack of vehicular access and therefore unsuitable for the proposed usage.

- (ii) Orchard Rise erection of new porch. Plans examined and discussed. No objections.
- (iii) Poplar Farm erection of new dwelling on footprint of old house which no longer exists. H reported on a site visit undertaken. Plans examined and discussed. No objections.
- (iv) Bramley Cottage building of garaging and accommodation above, on site of current agricultural building which is to be removed. Plans examined and discussed at length. Council objected on grounds that the proposal does not accord with permitted development conditions.

5. Finance.

Clerk distributed copies of end of financial year accounts.

Parish clerk pay rates have increased in line with NALC from April 1st 2018.

Clerk to request grass cutting funds from Two Rivers Housing and GCC.

6. Highways

Public footpath on Wyesis Way (from Ash Path diagonally towards The Grove). The path is inaccessible once the maize in the field has grown. BT has reported this but has had no response. The online reporting form was cumbersome and not user friendly.

7. Neighbour Watch

CA reported on the following: -

Poaching in the Forest of Dean is on the increase and Cybercrime is at a high level. More speed guns to be obtained for use in the village.

Mobile police station will be visiting Tibberton School between 11am - 11.30am on the following dates: -

18th July, 21st August, 10th September, 28th September

8. Report from District Council

JH reported that the new proposal for the Northern Quarter in the Forest of Dean was now in doubt because of lack of funding.

There are two enforcement officers for the FOD.

9. Report from County Council

BR reported that Tarmac will be replacing Amey as the road contractor over the next year. Roads are currently being repaired and resurfaced throughout our area.

The Lengthsman is still available for any works required locally.

Children's Services – changes are being made but not fast enough for Ofsted.

A task force has been set up to research and celebrate women's work historically.

Grass cutting – council are aiming to be more environmentally friendly by cutting later so that seeds can set, and by collecting grass cuttings. Road junctions will be cut more regularly for safety reasons.

Any road signs currently obscured by foliage to be reported directly to BT.

10. A.O.B.

DN requested that the pot hole in Rudford be re-done as it has sunk again.

CA reported on a pot hole in the lay-by close to Gable Cottage.

SW reported that Ragwort is growing wildly over the telephone exchange and as it is poisonous to horses should be cut back.

Clerk to write to BT to request this.

11.Public Forum

There was a discussion about the footpath previously mentioned, and it was suggested that BT should write to the owner of the field to request public access.

12. Next meeting date - September 10th 7.30pm

THESE MEETING MINUTES ARE A DRAFT AND WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.