Litton Parish Council – 16 April 2018

Report on Registration of Parish Council Land

Purpose of the report

At its February 2018 meeting the Council resolved to obtain costings for all the village greens to be surveyed and registered at the Land Registry. This report proposes registering all the Council's land holdings and sets out the costs of doing so. The Council is asked to agree the way forward and the budget.

Information

The Council's current land holdings and their status, either as registered in the name of the Council or not registered, is as follows.

- Litton Mill Village Green, registered DY384203
- Cressbrook Village Green, registered DY229527
- Cressbrook Car Park, registered DY447950
- Cressbrook Club, registered DY383872
- Playground land transfer with DDDC will be registered DY -----
- Land exchange with Sunnybank will be registered DY-----
- Memorial Playing Field not registered but deed of gift held
- Cemetery not registered but deed of ownership is held
- Litton Village Hall not registered but scheme of ownership is held
- Litton Village Greens not registered but Registration Document VG31 held

The attached map shows the land holdings which are not registered. The Council is asked to consider registering all these 16 pieces of land.

To register these pieces of land it is necessary to produce maps which are Land Registry compliant. Tim Rowley who has surveyed land for the Council in the past quotes £650 to produce a map for each piece of land or £450 to produce a single map showing all the pieces of land. Our solicitor advises that one map should suffice if the Council does not intend to dispose of any land in the near future. Also the Land Registry charges £30 per registration and so one map / one registration is cheaper and involves the solicitor in less work which is pro bono.

The Council is asked to consider registering the land shown on the map as one registration involving a survey at a cost of £450 plus administration fees.

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