

AVENING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING OF AVENING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2013 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr J Parsons (Chairman), Cllr A Slater (Vice-Chairman), Cllr D Conway, Cllr Mrs G Parsons, Cllr Mrs L Reid, Cllr M Williamson.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Ms Helen Wilson and Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk).

- 106/13 Public Question Time**
None
- 107/13 Police**
Report About Crime And Anti Social Behaviour
Noted and the fire in the barn in Star Lane was mentioned.
- 108/13 Apologies And Reasons For Absence**
Cllr T Beardsell (Personal), Cllr J Catterall (Personal) and Cllr A E Hicks (County)
- 109/13 Code of Conduct**
109.1/13 Declarations Of Interest in Items on the Agenda
Cllr Slater declared an interest in Item 114.3/13 Bills for Payment.
- 109.2/13 Updates to Members Register Interested**
None.
- 110/13 Matters Arising From The Minutes**
Mays Lane Bus Shelter and Playing Field Footpaths – Community Payback
The Clerk confirmed that arrangements are being made with the Community Payback Scheme and that members of APFA have offered to be available at the time the work is carried out.
Action:
Stream on the Water Meadow
Cllr Parsons reported that he hopes to source a quantity of clay to plug the hole from Cotswold Canals Trust.
The Clerk was requested to enquire with Highways when the flood prevention work outside the School / Memorial Hall would be carried out and also to advise Officers that the shop and Post Office at the Cross Inn have closed.
Action:
- 111/13 To Approve And Sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 19 September 2013**
RESOLUTION 37/13
The Minutes were unanimously agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman
- 112/13 County and District Councillors' Reports**
Cllr Hicks was not available and Cllr Parsons had nothing further to report.
- 113/13 Community Issues & Projects**
113.1/13 Traffic and Highways
The Clerk reported that a request has been received from Mr J Turner to install a bench in memory of his sister near to the concrete pill box in Star lane and that Gloucestershire Highways have approved the request. It was noted that the Council will be held responsible for the bench if the family fail to maintain it.
Action:
- 113.2/13 Community Issues**
Update on Re-Development of the Avening Website
Cllr Slater advised that the new website is now live. Members congratulated Cllr Slater on his work and it was agreed that he would give quarterly updates.
Update on Future Possible Developments
Members were advised that an informal meeting has been arranged with Andy Carr (GCC) and Surveyor/Planner, Mr D Jones, on Monday, 28 October at 2pm to explore

- possible options for a small affordable housing development in the Village. All Members are welcome to attend.
- Action:**
- Evening Playing Fields Update**
- An email update on the Committee's work was circulated.
 - Ms Wilson advised that she is trying to arrange a meeting with APFA to raise awareness in the community.
 - The Clerk advised that a complaint about dog fouling on the Playing Field has been received and was instructed to advise CDC's Dog Warden.
 - Members were advised that the Committee have long term plans to provide a climbing frame and the Clerk was requested to invite members to a future meeting to discuss.
- Action:**
- Installation of a Defibrillator** <http://www.communityheartbeat.org.uk/>
- During discussion Members confirmed that consideration had been given to siting a defibrillator in the redundant telephone kiosk in the Village. It was agreed that further information is needed before further decisions can be made and to arrange a presentation for Councillors from an organisation with greater knowledge.
- Action:**
- Gas Supply for the Village**
- Members were advised that Mrs Lynn Mowles is looking for support for a gas supply to be installed to the Village and the Clerk was requested to include this in the Council's Villager article.
- 114/13 Finance**
- 114.1/13 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Status up to 30 September 2013 (Attached)**
- Noted. Members were advised that £600 has been received from Jean Chatelain and is being held for the History Group. Cllr Mrs Parsons advised that the Group will require funding to research wills and it was agreed to invite Mr Venning to a future meeting to discuss requirements.
- Action:**
- 114.2/13 Bills For Payment**
- RESOLUTION 38/13**
- It was unanimously RESOLVED to pay the bills as attached.
- 114.3/13 Grant Applications**
- Application from Avening PCC for £1,250 towards the Churchyard Maintenance and Restoration - Community Fund**
- Following a request at the last meeting, the Clerk advised that the PCC had included previous Council grants in their accounts although it was evident that the donor was not clearly stated. The Clerk was, therefore, instructed to contact the PCC regretting the misunderstanding and stating that the source of the grant was not clear. In addition it was agreed to request further clarification on how the costs were arrived at and how it is anticipated that the funds would be spent.
- Action:**
- 114.4/13 Annual Budget Review**
- Cllrs Slater, Caterall, Williamson and Mrs Reid and Mrs Parsons will meet at the Social Club on Wednesday, 13 November at 7.30 pm. A mid-term check of the accounts will also be carried out.
- Action:**
- 115/13 Planning**
- 115.1/13 Response to New Planning Applications**
- None
- 115.2/13 Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting**
- 13/03106/FUL **Land Parcel Adjacent To 11 High Street, Avening, Gloucestershire**
Erection of detached live/ work unit with off road parking
- 13/03107/CON **Land Parcel Adjacent To 11 High Street, Avening, Gloucestershire**
Demolition of stone front boundary wall
- 115.3/13 Decision Notices Received**
- None
- 115.4/13 Planning Correspondence**
- APP/F1610/C/13/2196300 & 2196301**
APP/F1610/C/13/2196168 & 2196169
Site at West End, Avening, Glos GL8 8NE and Oldfield Wood, West End, Avening, Glos GL8 8NE
- Notification of Informal Hearing on Tuesday 29th October 2013 at 10:00am
Cllr Mrs Parsons agreed to attend as an observer.

- 116/13 Correspondence Received**
- 116.1/13 List of Information Received in September (Circulated)**
Noted
- 116.2/13 CDC's meetings with Parish and Town Councils**
Noted
- 116.3/13 Letter from GCC relating to Public Rights of Way**
Noted
- 116.4/13 Email from Cotswold Voluntary Wardens relating to the future of PROW and the recent work carried out by the Wardens in Avening**
Members expressed concern at the work described. The wood and concrete was considered very unattractive and not in keeping with the area. The Clerk was requested to contact the Wardens with Members comments and request that a representative comes to a future meeting. In addition, the Clerk was requested to contact CDC Portfolio holder, Cllr Mrs Carole Topple to ask if there is a procedure to consult locally before work is carried out.
- Action:**
- 116.5/13 Any Other Urgent Correspondence Received Since Publication of the Agenda**
None
- 117/13 The next Meeting of Avening Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 21 November 2013 In Avening Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm.**
All Are Welcome

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.00 pm