Avening Parish Council Meeting

**Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15th August 2019 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr A Slater, Cllr C Howell, Cllr G Parsons, Cllr R King, Cllr S Hamilton, Cllr J Hettersley, Cllr D Bendall

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**: Mr J Collinson (Projects Manager), Mrs S Baker (Clerk)

**146/19 VISITORS:** Gerald South. Emily Martell

**147/19 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Gerald South told the meeting that he had received a preliminary report from The Door. It states that the youth have asked for various activities to be held in the parish. More sport and artistic sessions, a party and computer games. More information will be available when the full report is received.

The Clerk confirmed that she had received the grant from CDC for the youth club.

It was suggested that reinstating the badminton court may help toward providing more sporting activities. The condition of the floor was questioned, but it was felt that as the floor is used for exercise classes it should hold up to badminton.

The hanging baskets have been fed and deadheaded. The automatic watering system is now working.

**148/19 POLICE MONTHLY CRIME AND ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORT**

One theft and one violent crime was reported in July.

**149/19 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

 Cllr C Forster – Work Commitments, Cllr S Hirst – Holiday.

**150/19 CODE OF CONDUCT**

 166.2.18 Updates to Members Register of Interests

 None. The members interests can be viewed on the website

**151/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15 July 2019**

106.19.2 The Clerk distributed ‘The Good Councillor Guide’.

116.19.1 The Clerk reported she has purchased a ‘pay as you go’ mobile phone Tele number 07415039234

**152/19 MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 July 2019**

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chair.

**153/19 Review of Policies**

1. Standing Orders – Cllr King distributed prior to the meeting, amended copies of the Standing Orders for review. Cllr King proposed adopting the amended version. This was seconded by Cllr Slater. The Standing orders were duly adopted.

**154/19 Action Log**

The action log was noted and updated.

**155/19 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Cllr Morgan reported that due to financial problems Tetbury leisure centre has closed with immediate effect. It is hoped after some restructuring it will re-open in the near future.

**156/19 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The Clerk said that Cllr Hirst has asked she inform the council that CIL is payable on newbuilds when permission has been granted form 1st June 2019, not submissions from 1st June.

**157/19 COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROJECTS**

1. Review of Current Projects

The Clerk reported that the two dates had been suggested for the first aid course. 5th & 6th October. It was agreed that the 6th would be the best date. The Clerk will confirm with Nick Morrell at GCC.

1. Father Christmas has been booked for 6th December. Cllr Bendall now needs to book a children’s entertainer. He asked for the Council to set a budget. He proposed £400 for the event. This was seconded by Cllr Slater. This was agreed
2. The installation of the spouts into the pumps has been delayed due to the weather and coordinating the workmen.
3. Cllr Hamilton said she felt the first responders list should be delayed until after the first aid course. This was considered a good idea.
4. The grant has now been received for the Defibrillator. The Clerk will arrange purchase and installation.

**Comments of Project Mangers Report.**

 **Memorial Hall**

1. Annual fire detection report has been carried out.
2. The timers have been fitted to the radiators.
3. Highways arrived to start work on the drainage outside of the hall. It was more complicated than they initially though so are reviewing the plan.

 **Playing Field**

1. The new case officer has questioned if the revised application had been submitted in time to benefit from the original fee. Mr Collinson has provided evidence that the submission was within the timescale given by the previous officer.
2. The Zip Wire has been damaged beyond repair. The vandalism has shown the wood to be very rotten. It will be dismantled.
3. Someone has taken the shackles from the basket swing. This can be repaired. Cllr King will inform the Clerk of the part needed for her to order. It was suggested that as the postage cost are more than the part, 4 shackles are ordered so as we have a supply.
4. The Police have been informed and the names have been put forward as to who are the alleged culprits.
5. The perimeter path is making progress. The new fence should be installed shortly. Only 2 quotes have been received for the reduced spec for the fencing, £3295 and £3950 for very similar schedule. Cllr Slater proposed the £3295 quote. Seconded by Cllr Parsons. All agreed.
6. The hedges need cutting around the playing field. The Clerk will contact Highways to ask if they would coat the roadside hedge, and contact Mr Brookes for a quote for the remainder. To expedite matters Cllr Slater suggested setting a budget of up to £1,000 for the hedge cutting. This was seconded Cllr Bendall. Cllr King will contact Rural Skills regarding hedge laying course.
7. The quote for an Arboreal report has been received from Tree Maintenance company has been received. £350 + VAT. Cllr Slater proposed accepting this quote. Seconded by Cllr Hamilton. Clerk to arrange.
8. Cllr Hetterley distributed diagrams of the proposed playing field and the positioning of the gates. Cllr Slater proposed accepting the position of the gates. This was seconded by Cllr Hamilton.
9. In order to comply with insurance requirements, the play equipment needs to be inspected monthly.

It was agreed to compile a list of the equipment and the Councillors will take turns to inspect the equipment and record their findings.

**Community Issues**

**158/19** **Traffic and Highways**

1. The Cinema club had good attendance for the matinee performance of The Greatest Showman. They have asked if they can use a chalk board on the hall so they can advertise to passing traffic. Mr Worsdell has offered a board that has a weighted base. It was agreed to trial this board first.

**159/19 FINANCE**

 **Finance Report up to 31st July 2019**

1. The report was noted.
2. Approve Bills for Payment - Schedule was circulated, and payments were approved.

**160/19 PLANNING AND TREE WORKS**

**New Planning Applications**

18/04043/FUL Barn, Owl House, West End. – Convert barn to create one dwelling.

The Parish Council are concerned that adequate plans have not been made or shown on the submission to deal with foul drainage. How will it be disposed of below the flood plain? The plans do not adequately show the bridal path. An adequate explanation is needed before the Parish Council will support.

19/01692/FUL Old Quarries – Cllr King reported that the Conservation Officer gave a damming report causing the developer to reconsider the submission.

**161/19 Planning Correspondence**

**162/19 Tree Works**

19/02891/TCONR - Avening County Primary School High Street Avening **–** To fell diseased Ash Tree – Support.

**163/19 Any other New Applications since publication of this agenda**

19/02851/FUL – Minchinhampton Golf Club – Proposed Electrical Cube – No objections, but landscaping should be used to camouflage the building.

**164/19 CORRESPONDENCE**

Email from Barbara Pond offering help to create a village plan - It was agreed that a village plan needs consideration and to put this item on the agenda for September.

165**/19 COUNCILLORS**

**166/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 19th September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Jim Parsons Reading Room at the Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm