**Avening Parish Council Meeting**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16th May 2019 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr A Slater, Cllr D Bendall, Cllr C Howell, Cllr G Parsons, Cllr R King, Cllr J Hettersley, Cllr C Forster. Cllr R Morgan (CDC).

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

**82/19 VISITORS:** Gerald South, Jennie South

**83/19 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Rev’ South said that The Door are about to start the research for the youth club. This will be covered by the grant from CDC that the PC are holding on the Youth Clubs behalf.

**84/19 POLICE MONTHLY CRIME AND ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORT**

Crime Report unavailable for April.

**85/19 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

 C Mitchell, business; Cllr Hirst.

**86/19 CODE OF CONDUCT**

 166.2.18 Updates to Members Register of Interests

 None

**87/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21 March 2019**

The Clerk reported that the litter pickers had been ordered and that she will collect them from CDC on the 30th May.

**88/19 MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18 April 2019**

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

**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL AGM HELD ON Wednesday 8th May 2019**

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

**89/19 ACTION LOG**

The Action log was noted and updated.

Cllr Bendall suggested the different roles should be shared amongst the PC in line with individual interests. He distributed a draft list of roles that he felt matched the individuals. It was agreed that this was an idea worth pursuing and would be looked at in more detail later when the new Councillors had time to settle in.

**90/19 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Following the election, the District Council now has a Lib Dem majority council. The nuts and bolts of the council has yet to be sorted, but It was noted that they had voted through a 25% increase in their salaries without the item being on a formal agenda. Roles will be distributed over the coming weeks.

One local issue that has arisen and seems to be going under the radar is a planning application form Valley Trading to increase the waste disposal at Babdown Airfield from 45,000 tons per year to 75,000 tons. As context, this will be half the amount of waste that will be sent annually to the incinerator in Javelin Park Gloucester. The public are asked to review the application and pass comment.

It was agreed that a tracker be put on the application in order to follow progress.

**91/19 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Report unavailable.

**92/19 COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROJECTS**

1. Villager of year certificates and prizes have been awarded to Lily Wolford (The award was presented at the Youth Club); Arthur Bury and Eileen Ind.

Arrangements for the Annual Village Show are in hand. The Hog roast is no longer possible but alternative arrangements have been made.

1. Receipt of Pecuniary Interest forms - Some forms were handed to the Clerk. The remaining forms will be sent via post.
2. Review of Current Projects – Deferred

iv **Comments of Project Mangers Report.**

Now the better weather is here the water pump spouts can be installed.

The hanging baskets have arrived and are being planted up. Once this is complete the plumber will install the watering system.

1. **Memorial Hall**

It was reported that the alarm was heard all night. The Clerk will put a notice on the board to contact Mr Collinson should it be activated again.

The heater timers will cost approximately £500 and will be installed during the summer holidays.

Mr Collinson will compile a list of jobs to approach residents with necessary skillset who would be willing to help. A draft flyer will put in the Hoot magazine for which the school have agreed to insert.

1. **171/18.3 Playing Field**

The plans were for the playing field have been well received. A stand will be manned at the village event which will conclude the public consultation – revised plans will then be submitted to CDC. Work to the footpath starts in June.

The playing field hedge needs to be trimmed - It was suggested that some hedge laying is carried out during the winter, and that it would be a good community activity. Cllr King will contact Rural Skills to enquire about cost of course and materials. In the meantime, the Clerk will contact Avendale Maintenance to ask about cutting the hedge back.

**Community Issues**

**93/19** **Traffic and Highways**

1. The Clerk has received more complaints regarding parking across dropped kerbs. The police have been informed and are regularly patrolling. This seems to be having little effect on the problem, but tickets may be issued in the future. The Clerk will contact Highways to ask if road markings are available.
2. Complaint received about Gigaclear regarding an unfinished pothole and barriers left behind on Point Road. The Clerk has been assured that Gigaclear have contacted the resident and made arrangements to rectify the problem.
3. Dog bin for Nags Head has been installed.
4. Defibrillator – The Clerk has contacted the company and they are checking the site is suitable.

**94/19 FINANCE**

 **Finance Report up to 31 March 2019**

1. The report was noted. The first part of the precept has been received.
2. Approve Bills for Payment - Schedule was circulated, and payments were approved.
3. Grant request for Avening Baby & Toddler Group - £150 was approved.

**95/19 PLANNING AND TREE WORKS**

**New Planning Applications**

None

**96/19 Planning Correspondence**

Amendments received to application **19/00277/LBC** – The Clerk was unable to access the details prior to the meeting. PC to go online and contact the clerk should they wish to comment further.

**19/00309/FUL** - Mill House - Gabion basket landscaping works to reinforce the south bank of the stream on the boundary – Permission granted.

**97/19 Tree Works**

19/01621/TPO – Avening House – Beech Tree, remove 2 boughs - Noted.

**98/19 Any other New Applications since publication of this agenda**

No further information received regarding the proposal for housing at Sunground. Cllr Forster agreed to l track the application once it is formally submitted.

**99/19 CORRESPONDENCE**

 **Emails –** The clerk has received an email asking about introducing 20mph speed limit. The Clerk will respond

 That the council has explored many traffic calming ideas and work closely with Highways. A survey

has been commissioned and the results will be discussed, and action taken where necessary.

10**0/19 COUNCILLORS**

Cllr King reported that the Community Café has gone from Strength to Strength, with regular customers and new. They have organised a litter pick, and are hoping to start a teenage volunteer session.

New residents in Avening – A previous attempt to introduce a welcome letter for new residents was thwarted by data protection considerations, but Cllr Slater suggested that we could create a dedicated page on the website. Cllr Bendall agreed to collate useful information.

Cllr Forster asked if there were any detailed maps of the area. Cllr Slater said he would try to get large format copies.

**61/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 20 June 2019 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm