**Avening Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**held on Thursday 8 May 2019 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr A Slater, Cllr D Bendall, Cllr C Howell Cllr C Forster,

Cllr G Parsons, Cllr J Hetterley, Cllr R King, Cllr S Hirst (County Councillor)

**Members of the Public in Attendance:** Frances and Roger Lindley

Mr & Mrs Lindley expressed their concern as to the nature of the sport posts proposed to be installed at the playing field. They felt that rugby posts would encourage the young people to play contact rugby without adequate supervision. Cllr Slater informed them that the pictures were for illustrative purposes, and no decision had been made on details. Mr Lindley asked if nets could be provided. This will be investigated. Mrs Lindley attended the WI presentation of the playing field and asked if it was possible to move the football pitch over to the flatter area. This will be considered during the detailed survey work. It was suggested that the council add climate change annually to the agenda to encourage residents to think about choices regarding heating and travel etc.. This was agreed.

Mr & Mrs Lindley thanked the council for their work and left the meeting.

**1. Election of Chair**

Cllr Parsons proposed Cllr Slater to remain as Chair, this was seconded by Cllr Bendall and unanimously agreed.

Cllr Slater was therefore re-elected as Chair.

**2. Election of Vice-Chair**

Cllr Parsons proposed Cllr Bendall as Vice-Chair, this was seconded by Cllr Slater and unanimously agreed.

Cllr Bendall was therefore elected as Vice-Chair.

**3. Co-option of Councillors**

There are currently two vacant council positions. Two residents have expressed an interest in filling the positions. Click Mitchell & Stephanie Hamilton. No other parties have expressed interest. The Clerk will invite both candidates to the next meeting to complete the process

**4**. **Acceptance of Office & Pecuniary Interest**

The Clerk distributed Acceptance of Office forms and Pecuniary Interest declaration.. All Councillors signed the acceptance of office at the meeting. The Pecuniary Interest declaration will be completed and handed to the Clerk at the next meeting.

**5. Any Other Business**

Cllr Slater said that a list of roles will be produced for a later meeting and the workload shared out relative to interests and skills.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm