# **Avening Parish Council Meeting**

# Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12 October 2023 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllr Mulligan Cllr D Bendall Cllr Howell, Cllr J Hetterley, Cllr Hamilton Cllr R King, Cllr Slater, Cllr Parsons

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: GCC Cllr Hirst, Mrs S Baker (Clerk), VISITORS: Mr Lelliot

**128/23 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – Cllr Mulligan agreed to discuss Tetbury Hill under public question time as Mr Lelliot had another engagement.

Prior to the meeting Mr Lelliot passed the results of survey of the traffic on Tetbury Hill onto the Chairman of the Parish Council. Mr Lelliot said that the residents had all submitted various ideas and requested the Parish Council collates the information and holds discussions with Highways. Cllr Mulligan asked Mr Lelliot what his proposal was to solve the issues. Mr Lelliot suggested traffic calming and lower speed restrictions. The Clerk informed Mr Lelliot that this would require a Road Traffic Order , which incurs a minimum cost of £10,000. This would have to be paid for by the Parish. The possibility of giving priority one way was also discussed. It was agreed that the Parish Council collate the information gathered from the survey and present it to the Highways manger. Mr Lelliot left the meeting.

129/23 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE - None

# 130/23 CODE OF CONDUCT

<u>166.1.18 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda</u> None <u>166.2.18 Updates to Members Register of Interests</u> None.

# 131/23 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20th September 2023

The minutes of the meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> September were signed as a true record.

## 132/23 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023 None

#### **133/23COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROJECTS**

#### **Community Issues**

## Playing Fields Update

Cllr Hetterley reported that Trevor Stewart is unable to submit for the new path. Cllr Mulligan is still waiting for a quote. He agreed to pursue the contractor.

Cllr Hetterley has replaced the net on the basketball hoop and attached the safety sign as required. The bird deterrent on the infant swing has been replaced. The Junior swing is now damaged. It is suspected that this has been caused by a football.

The Gate must be replaced and the stole catch replaced. Cllr Mulligan will organise this.

Cllr King reported that National Grid has made a repair to the trench they dug last year. They have spread grass seed.

The basket ball court needs tidying. Cllr Hetterley will attend to this.

Defibrillator

Cllr Slater said he has organised the relocation of the defibrillator.

Phone Box Refurbishment

Cllr Slater said that the Parish Council has a legal obligation to maintain the listed phone box. Once the defibrillator has been relocated the condition of the phone box can be established and a plan made to bring it to a reasonable condition. Cllr Hetterley said the group who asked permission to repaint the phone box at

Nags Head has already made a start and primed the paint work and cleared the vegetation growing around it. Unless there is an improvement in the weather the final coat will be painted in the spring.

<u>Memorial Hall</u> The Clerk asked the Parish Council for a response to an email received from the headmistress complaining about various issue in the Hall. Cllr Mulligan said the Hall committee will meet with cleaners to discuss the level of cleaning. Most of the complaints will be resolved when the bathrooms are refurbished. Cllr Mulligan is waiting for the contractors to confirm they can start during half term.

Cllr Mulligan is also waiting for a quote for radiated heating system.

The Clerk said that Bionic energy broker has contacted her again this month to express concern about the looming end of contracts. They suggest taking a year fixed contract which can be cancelled without penalty should the school take over the heating contracts. Cllr Mulligan said the school's intention is to use their own energy supplier and cross charge the hall for their out of school hours usage. This is a detail to be confirmed once the new lease is signed.

## 134/23 TRAFFIC & HIGHWAYS

Tetbury Hill is due to be closed between 23rd to 27<sup>th</sup> October 9.30 and 3.30. Unfortunately, this is during school term.

## **Overgrown Hedges**

Cllr Hamilton said that there were still hedges that have not been cut. The Clerk has provided Cllr Mulligan with letters to be hand delivered.

## **135/23 FINANCE**

- I. Cllr Hetterley presented the Parish Councils financial position going forward. This showed the Council finances in a healthy position.
- II. The Payments were approved.
- III. The Clerk said she had received some grant applications from Playgroup and ask someone to contact them to remind them to submit it before 31<sup>st</sup>. Cllr Slater agreed to do this.
- IV. Date of Finance Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> November.
- V. The Clerk reported that the audit was now closed and the closure notices published. No issues were found with the accounts.

#### **136/23 POLICE REPORT**

The Police report was unavailable

# 137/23 DISTRICT COUNILLORS REPORT -Attached

#### 138/23 COUNCTY COUNCILLOR REPORT – Attached

#### **139/23PLANNING AND TREE WORKS**

#### **New Planning Applications**

23/02807/CLOPUD - Beehive House Nags Head Lane Certificate of lawful proposed use or development under Section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for replacement of windows. – No Objections

23/02893/COMPLY - 1 Hampton Hill Compliance with condition 3 (Details) of permission 23/00991/FUL -Erection of single storey side extension and installation of timber gates to existing vehicular access. – No Objections

23/03073/TCONR - Creich Cottage Hampton Hill Tree is not under TPO. 3.5m high. Remove tree to increase parking space on drive. – No Objections

# Decision Notices

23/01729/FUL Farm Hill House Point Road Demolition of lean to link and replacement with single storey extension, alterations to fenestration, addition of walling, electric gates, and carport to garden and associated works. - Application Withdrawn

23/01913/FUL 59 High Street Partial demolition of garage and conversion to dwelling with associated works. - Application Withdrawn

23/02300/TCONR 19 Tetbury Hill Lawson cypress (T1): raise the crown to 2.3m above ground level and reduce the height 11m to 8m above ground level (down to the previous pruning points). - No objection

23/02444/TCONR 6 Tetbury Hill Juglans Regia (Walnut) 10 metres tall and 3 metres from boundary wall with Tetbury Hill highway. Fell - No objection.

23/02513/TCONR 43 High Street Fell Holly tree - No objection.

23/02646/TCONR Folly House 22 Point Road Yew (T1) - reduce the crown from 9m to 6m in height and from 6m to 4m in radial spread. Raise the crown to 2.5m above ground level. This is to allow more light in to the house – No Objection.

## 140/23 CORRESOPNDENCE

NALC – Model Financial; Regulations Consultation Angela Smith Enquiry into Family History – Passed to Jean Chatelain Cotswold National Landscape Board Member – Nomination by 4<sup>th</sup> December Zero Hour – Support Climate Ecology Bill GRCC Community Led planning options 16<sup>th</sup> October \_ Course

Councillor Advocacy Scheme 29<sup>th</sup> November 18.00 – 17.30 strengthening relationships between the police and councillors.

Glos Wild Life State of nature report

Local Government Boundary Survey

GRCC Newsbites

Electrical Safety fire grant up to £5,000. Community organisations and not for profit

## 141/23 COUNCILLORS

Clle Bendall said that he had identified someone who may be interested in becoming filling the vacancy for Parish councillor. Cllr Bendall, Slater and Mulligan will arrange to meet with him to discuss the role.

Cllr Mulligan was interviewed by Points West regarding the works being carried out at Avening Court. This is now in the hands of enforcement.

Cllr King said an enquiry has been made as to when the pump at Tetbury Hill will be painted. Cllr Mulligan said it is on his list,. The painting of the other pumps are now complete.

Cllr Slater asked if any arrangements have been made for the D Day celebration 2024. Cllr Bendall said he was in talks with different organisations and had booked the silver band.

The Clerk confirmed she had requested a Christmas tree from HRH Princess Anne and is awaiting a response.

#### 142/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Actions

128/23	Collate Tetbury Hill Data	Clerk
133/23	Tidy Basketball Court	Cllr Hetterley
133/23	Replace gate	Cllr Mulligan
133/23	Chase contractor for path quote	Cllr Mulligan
133/23	Address School complaints	Cllr Mulligan/Bendall
133/23	Confirm date for bathroom refurbishment	Cllr Mulligan
133/23	Delver letters to residents with overgrown hedges	Cllr Mulligan
135/23	Finance Meeting 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Clerk/ Cllr Mulligan/Slater,
		Hetterley,KIng
135/23	Remind Playgroup of grant deadline	Cllr Slater
139/23	Planning Response	Clerk
141/23	Paint Pump on Tetbury Hill	Cllr Mulligan