

Avening Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 16 March 2022 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr P Mulligan, Cllr A Slater, Cllr C. Howell, Cllr R King, Cllr D Bendall, Cllr J Hetterley, Cllr Hamilton, Cllr G Parsons, Cllr Forster. Cllr S. Hirst.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Baker (Clerk),

VISITORS:

34/22 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No members of the public present.

35/22 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE – Cllr Morgan (CDC), Cllr R King, (work Commitments) Cllr D Bendall (Illness) Cllr Hamilton (Illness),

36/22 CODE OF CONDUCT

166.1.18 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda

Cllr Slater declared a pecuniary interest on agenda item 8.3

166.2.18 Updates to Members Register of Interests

None

37/22 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16 February 2022.

The minutes of the meeting held 16 February 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

38/22 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16 February 2022.

- i. Cllr Hetterley correspondence a letter from Jennie South stating out the required funding for The Play Gloucestershire holiday play scheme. They have agreed to host 2 days. Avening Educational Trust has offered to fund one day, leaving the Parish Council to fund £534. Catherine Wheatley, Chair of Governors at Avening Primary School will endeavour to get a commitment of attendance from parents of the children. Play Gloucestershire will confirm the dates nearer the time.
- ii. Cllr Mulligan shared the letter he had received from Cllr Joe Harris, Leader of CDC in response to the Parish Councils Stance on payment of election cost. Cllr Harris responded he was happy to talk further on the matter, but the council had made its final decision. Cllr Mulligan will continue to correspond with Cllr Harris to reiterate the Parish Council's decision.

39/22 COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROJECTS

Community Issues

- i. Memorial Hall – The accounts were agreed at the meeting of the Trustees and the Clerk will submit the figures to the Charity Commission.
- ii. In principle it was agreed to prioritise the decoration of the hall.
- iii. Cllr Mulligan is still trying to get a quote for the roof repair. The roof over the toilet is given priority.
- iv. A quote is being given to replace the electric wall heaters with infra-red heaters.
- v. The Trustees agreed to meet with GCC to discuss the lease.
- vi. Claire Bebbington has agreed to manage the project to produce a memorial to the fallen. This will give more information of the individuals lost in both wars.
- vii. Playing Fields Update
Cllr Hetterley said there was some minor damage to the climbing frame. This has been repaired.
- viii. Cllr Mulligan has made contact with a volunteer willing to carry out minor repairs.
- ix. Replacement goal post will cost Approx £500. This expenditure was agreed.
- x. A new dog bin has been installed.
- xi. Cllr Mulligan remarked that the Canal Trust have been slow to remove the diseased trees. It is important that this is carried out before the nesting season. He will ask them to fell the trees ASAP and to remove when they are less busy.

- xii. It was agreed to plant the Jubilee Oak in the playing field. Cllr Mulligan will purchase some stakes to protect the tree.
- xiii. Cllr Mulligan will purchase some gravel for the playing field.
- xiv. The Clerk has emailed the contractor asking for a date for the installation of the slide, and requesting that the zip wire is tightened.
- xv. Queens Jubilee – It was agreed that the Parish Council would not organise an event, but was happy to facilitate should the residents make a request.
- xvi. Woodland Proposal a Brandhouse - The Council have been approached for their opinion on the proposed new woodland. The plans have the support of the Forestry Commission and Natural England. The Parish Council agreed that this was a positive project and could only benefit the area. The Clerk will respond with the Councils positive view.

40/22 TRAFFIC & HIGHWAYS

- i. The Clerk will send the Traffic report to Highways for updating.
- ii. Some of the potholes were missed when the filling was carried out.
- iii. The Clerk reported she had met with Richard Grey to discuss a new grit bin at Sunground. The request has been denied as it doesn't fall within the scope of works set out by Highways.
- iv. Stockholm Declaration 20 MPH speed limit. The proposed 20mph limit is being proposed under the Stockholm declaration. The organisers are asking for the support of all Parish Councils. Avening Parish Council does not agree with a blanket 20mph limit and would like the costs of RTO to be reduced. Cllr Hirst remarked that GCC is out to tender and trialling contractors to get a cheaper service. Cllr Hirst was asked why the cost of extending speed limits was so expensive. He suggested contact head of Highways Vernon Smith to ask for a list of cost for extending speed limit zones.

41/22 POLICE REPORT

The Police report was unavailable

42/22 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Hirst apologised that he was unable to produce a report this month. prior to the meeting.

43/22 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Morgan sent his apologies.

44/22 FINANCE

Finance Report up to 28 February 2022

- i. The finance report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
- ii. Approve Bills for Payment - Schedule was circulated, and payments were approved.

45/22 PLANNING AND TREE WORKS

New Planning Applications

22/00803/AGFO – Farm Buildings, Mays Lane. – Prior notification for the construction of an agriculture storage building. – No observations

22/00516/FUL – 18 Start Lane – Proposed extension of existing garage to form double garage and ancillary accommodation. Previous application 21/03044/FUL - Support

22/00685/COMPLY – Block G, Longford Mill – Compliance with condition 4 (contamination) re 19/00276/FUL External alterations and conversion block G to 8 residential flats. – No observations

22/00417/COMPLY – Longfords Mill – Compliance with condition 13(water course protection plan) re 19/00276/FUL. – No observations

46/22 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE

Decisions

22/00595/FUL7 Lawrence Road- Proposed parking bay – Permitted

The Clerk has submitted a possible breach of planning to CDC planning department concerning a cabin constructed in Oldfield wood.

47/22 ANY OTHER NEW APPLICATIONS SINCE PUBLICATION OF THIS AGENDA

48/22 CORRESPONDENCE

Suspended Waste Collections

GCC Covid Update

Brandhouse -Woodland Creation

Cotswold District News

Public Sector Executive – Cyber Security

NALC Chief Exec Bulletin

NLAC Events – Levelling up communities

CDC Litter picking hubs

CPRE – Members newsletter

Public Sector – Net Zero

Public Sector – Addressing decarbonations of social housing

Parish Online Newsletter

NALC – Living with Covid

Street Party Fact Sheet

NALC – Working together to make communities safer.

NLC Postal access in rural areas

Jubilee Safari – Beacon Lighting

ROSPA Play inspection notification

CDC 13 18 year old poll

SLCC News bulletin – National Salary Awards, Ukraine Support

GAPTC – Ukranian support – Twin towns

GAPTC – Subscription – 286.79

Local Plan Training for Clerks

Stockholm Declaration

Planning Enforcement

49/22 COUNILLORS

None

50/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 April 2022 at 7.30pm In the Memorial Hall

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

