MINUTES OF MEETING OF AVENING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY,8th FEBRUARY 2006 AT 7.30PM

The following Councillors were in attendance: Cllr J Parsons (Chairman), Cllr Mrs G Parsons, Cllr T Slater, Cllr C Redpath, Cllr J Catterall, Cllr J Faulkner, Cllr K Kay

126/06 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nigel Stanton attended the meeting and asked about the village hall. He held concerns over committee meetings and the AGM of the hall. It was explained that we were looking into some sort of partnership arrangement with the school/county for the future. He felt that the school use of the hall may have to change to survive and that a balance was needed between the school and other users.

He also requested a list of councillor names/contact details on the noticeboards. It was agreed to put up lists on the post office and Nag's Head boards. The village hall board was too small.

Action: clerk to action

127/06 PLANS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE VILLAGE HALL

127.1/06 The future of the Hall

Not a lot could be achieved until the special meeting on the 15th February. The lease was discussed with a view to the county covering upgrades and the school paying a peppercorn rent for use. The value of the building would increase.

127.2/06 Village Hall Public Consultation

There was nothing further to add

127.3/06 Ward Projects Fund Application to CDC

The parish council had been awarded £378 to purchase items for use in the hall – mainly sanitary type equipment and some public seating for the reading room. Drawdown of the funds must happen by the 30^{th} March 2007.

Action: clerk to put order in hand

128/06 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ms C Mitchell (advised was away)

Clerk unable to attend because of snow

129/06 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 11th January 2007

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 11th January 2007

- 130/06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -none
- 131/06 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES none
- 132/06 PLANNING

132.1/06 New Planning Applications

06/03261/LBC CT.5716/E **Church Farm House** – new bathroom, new access for ensuite/dressing room, repair/insulate attic rooms, removal concrete hallway floor and replace with stone flags, reposition airing cupboard, works to rainwater goods and soil pipe. Members had no objections to the application.

07/0092/FUL CT.5746/H **Transmitting Station, Tetbury Hill** – installation of 3 x antenna to replace 3 x existing antenna – Members objected to the application on the grounds of environmental considerations – namely the visual impact of the site and the effect on the adjacent conservation area, additional landscaping is necessary (increase the height of the wall and more sympathetic planting scheme on site). Members also objected on the basis of the health aspect – no indications have been given as to the levels of exposure although it had been confirmed that 3G antenna are more powerful than 2G antenna.

Action: Clerk to write to Argiva to request a list of what is currently on the transmitting station 132.2/06 New Planning Appeals

APP/C1625/A/06/2032806/WF **Appeal – 8 Spinners Cottages, Longfords Mill** – retrospective application for extension of existing picket fence around internal and external boundaries at the front of the property.

132.3/06 Decision Notices Received

06/02901/FU	CT.3294/H	Rusavan, 8 Mill Lane – erection of single storey side
L		extension
06/03189/MI	CT.6401/E	The Lair Pound Hill – minor amendment approved
NAM		

132.4/06 Review of Planning Permissions/Applications

Transmitting Station, Tetbury Hill, Avening – There had been no further contact with Arqiva. Matters re landscaping were no further forward.

Quietways enforcement matter - there was no further information

132.5/06 Treeworks

- Removal of eucalyptus tree White Rose Cottage, 1 Tetbury Hill CT.CONTR 2244 response date 7th Feb 07 – it was **RESOLVED** to ratify that there was no objection
- Pollard one Ash Tree TPO2 58 Sandford Leaze, Avening, TPO2/20, 07/00163/TPO Members had no objections

133/06 FINANCE

133.1/06 Budget Status and Balance at Bank

The current balance at bank was £3,892 with £15,166 now in the deposit account with projected expenditure and year end balance as set out on the monthly budget sheet.

133.2/06 Bills for Payment

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following bills for payment :

 Clerk's Salary less NI/Tax plus Expenses 	£484.85
 NI/Tax on Clerk's salary 	£nil
 HGM Ltd 	£nil
 GAPTC – Accounts and Audit course 	£60
 SLCC Membership 	£95
 Broxap Street Furniture 	£683.87

133.3/06 To approve cheques since last meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the cheque to K Jones Electrical Services in the sum of £247.10 for heating repairs in the village hall.

133.4/06 Grant request from Avening Playgroup for 2007/08

This mater was deferred until the next meeting.

133.5/06 Grant request from Home-Start Cotswold Ltd

This matter was deferred as more information was needed.

Action: Clerk to ask Home-Start for more information

133.6/06 To approve the accounts for APFA to date and approve the release of the grant cheque in the sum of £477

This matter was deferred until the next meeting.

It was RESOLVED to put the meeting into closed session for agenda points 8.7 and 8.8(minute number 133.7/06 and 133.8/06) under The Public (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 in accordance with legal requirements.

133.7/06 To consider the quote for grasscutting at the skate ramp and Ash Path

133.8/06 To consider the quote for printing of the parish newsletter

134/06 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

134.1/06 Standing Orders

This item would be deferred until the next meeting.

135/06 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE/COMMUNITY PROJECTS

135.1/06 Siting of Restored Wooden Avening Sign

This item was in hand and deferred until the next meeting

135.2/06 Hedge Laying Project in Partnership with Rural Skills Centre, Royal Agricultural College

There was to be another session on Saturday 17th February 2007.

135.3/06 Parish Council Spring Newsletter

The next newsletter was planned for the end of February. Councillors had been asked to contribute. There would be content on what the council had achieved in the last year and the budget for the forthcoming year. Cllr Slater was looking fro contribution to update 6 walks around the village also.

135.4/06 Crime and Disorder

Cllr J Faulkner would write a short article on local crime for the parish council newsletter

135.5/06 Village Spring Clean

The village spring clean would take place on Saturday 12th May 07, 10.30am to 12noon **Action**: Clerk to contact CDC and arrange bags etc

136.3/06 Parish Plan

This was deferred until the next meeting

137/06 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

Signed

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- Letter from CDC re Community Safety Officer
- Response to CDC leader's update on litter collections letter to be sent by Clerk
- Stroud District Council Cotswold Canals Area Action Plan consultation (12th March 07)
- Comments on Cotswold Engagement Strategy CDC
- Elections Pack SWLCA to decide what approach the council wises to take
- Glos CC Seminar for Parish and Town Councils Tues, 6th March 2007

The date of the next Avening Parish Council will be on **Thursday, 8th March 2006** at 7.45 p.m. in Avening Memorial Hall

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9pm