

AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 9 APRIL 2018
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.30 PM**

Present	Cllr John Yeabsley	JY	In the Chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr Susan Cherry	SC	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Sarah Marcus	SH	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Ian Stainton	IS	
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	District Cllr Ian Bramble	IB	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
Apologies	PC Ryan Hazlehurst		Police
In attendance	Peter Javes		Clerk

Members of the public present: 3

STEPH MACLEAN-MACTAGGART

The meeting opened with a minute's silence in memory of Steph Maclean-Mactaggart a former councillor.

58/18 REPORTS

58.1 Shop: The arrangements for the shop and Post Office to continue in operation with volunteers after Dinah Ashton's retirement were noted. It was still hoped to find a permanent manager.

58.2 Parish Project Group: Jo Ponting's memoirs of Grove Park would be published soon.

59/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March be accepted as a correct record

Motion carried unanimously. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

60/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

61/18 MATTERS ARISING

Anchor on Roundabout: Ongoing.

62/18 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

Nothing to report

63/18 PLANNING

63.1 0781/18/HHO The Belvedere Rock Hill Aveton Gifford TQ7 4JT
Internal and external modifications. Garage extension with additional parking and associated external works
Site visit to be arranged

63.2 0872/18/ Grove Park A379 Fishley To Ashford Cross Modbury PL21 0SX
Replacement agricultural building

64/18 FINANCE

Bank balances

Bank balances as at 31 March:

£10,857.20

PAYMENTS APPROVED

Payee	Reason	Amount £
Nick Walker Printing	mAGpie	248.00
E.J.Tarr	Hedge cutting	216.00
Flete Gardens	Bamboo removal by tennis court	420.00
DALC	Annual subscription	195.31
SHDC	Payroll service 17-18	120.00
Peter Javes	Administration	298.16
Torr Quarry	Asbestos disposal from Timbers	10.00
E.J.Tarr	Groundworks for new recycling bin site	2,364.00

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TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>2,823.16</u>
Cash held on behalf of car show	8,089.00
Parish Paths Partnership	1,291.00

Payments listed above include VAT where applicable.
The first half precept for 2018-19 for £12,367 had now been received.

- 65/18 INTERNAL AUDIT**
Local Council Administrative Services were due to carry out the internal audit for 2017-18 financial year on 12 April 2017.
- 66/18 CLERK'S PAY**
RESOLUTION THAT the clerk's pay be increased to £10.099 per hour plus any inflationary award from 1 April 2018 in accordance with the National Association of Local Councils agreement.
Proposed: Cllr Rosie Warrillow Seconded: Cllr Susan Cherry
Resolution **carried unanimously**
- 67/18 NEW VILLAGE HALL PROJECT**
The Big Lottery Fund had awarded £7,500 to pay the architect's fee and other initial costs. RG confirmed that he would arrange a DCC grant of £2,000. Thus a total sum of £11,500 had now been raised and PS would instruct the architect accordingly. PS
The meeting noted the Big Lottery's requirement to give the award publicity in the community.
- 68/18 PARISH ASSETS MAINTENANCE**
Councillors would discuss at a separate meeting which assets they were willing to assume responsibility for:- All
- Stream
 - Flood Group
 - Benches
 - Playing field and Rectory Lawn
 - Play park
 - Roads
 - Pool
 - Car Parks
 - Bridge End
- PS had contacted Kingsbridge District Council Clerk who had recommended a contractor able to carry out works such as weed killing. PS would ask for a quote for spraying Fore Street, Church Lane and the path from Icy Park to the steps. PS
- 69/18 PARISH ISSUES**
- 69.1 Village Stocks:** Construction of the shelter for the stocks was now complete and a date for installation would now be arranged. PS
- 69.2 Recycling Bins:** The groundworks were now finished and a request had been submitted for the bins to be moved. There was a discussion about the need for signs advising the new location and the need to clear the area in Timbers once the bins had been moved.
- 69.3 Path from Townswell Lane to playpark:** Ways of making the path less muddy would be investigated.
- 69.4 Pittens Car Park:** The Clerk would the owner of the Toyota car to remove it. Clerk
- 70/18 HIGHWAY MATTERS**
- 70.1 Bank alongside road from the village up to A379:** IB was still investigating responsibility. IB
- 70.2 Parking outside school** RG enquired if there had been any progress in this matter. It was noted that there had been a visit by the police but outside school hours. The clerk was instructed to invite the police to make further visits at peak times. Clerk
- 70.3 Road to Wakeham Barns:** RG asked that the Clerk send an e-mail to the Neighbourhood Clerk

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Highways Officer asking for a progress report.

- 70.4 Bridge:** RG confirmed that the bridge verges would be cleared.
- 70.5 Electronic Speedometer Sign:** The meeting noted the availability of electronic speed signs and there was a discussion about where such a sign might be positioned. However the cost was beyond the means of the PC at present.
- 71/18 AMBULANCE SERVICE AND FIRST RESPONDERS**
DDB reported that she had spoken to the Modbury first responder who felt that the situation was not as bad as reported in the press, however the matter would be reviewed again in the Autumn.
- 72/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**
DDB reported on progress with the plan. He confirmed that a new car park for the village was still under discussion with the landowner.
- 73/18 COUNTY COUNCILLOR**
RG's contribution to the meeting is recorded in various minutes above.
- 74/18 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**
IB spoke about progress with the Joint Local Plan and new regulations concerning data protection.
- 75/18 TREE WARDEN**
DDB reported that the eucalyptus tree opposite Rectory Stables had been felled and proved to have been diseased. In addition the sycamore by the tennis court had been felled.
- 76/18 COMMUNITY POOL and SWOOSH**
PS outlined the arrangements for issuing keys for the new season and RB reported on resuscitation training. The Clerk would invoice the school for the 2018 fee. Clerk

RB circulated the SWOOSH arrangements for 14 July. Councillors agreed the Outdoor RB
Swimming Society (OSS) plans and RB would confirm agreement to the OSS.
- 77/18 CAR SHOW 2018**
IS updated the meeting on bookings. All the traders had been booked as well as the portable toilets.
- 78/18 TRAINING OF COUNCILLORS**
SC and PU would be booked on the councillor training course to be held in Ivybridge. Clerk
- 79/18 CORRESPONDENCE**
A letter would be sent to the Duchy of Cornwall giving thanks for the clearance of derelict Clerk
boats from the river.

Meeting closed at 9.10 Next meeting: Monday 14 May 2018 at 6.30 followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30