

AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 3rd August 2020

In the village hall, Aveton Gifford

Contributing	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH	In the chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Josie-Alice Kirby	JK	
	Cllr James Reina	JR	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
Apologies	Peter Javes	Clerk	
	Cllr Susan Cherry	SC	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	Cllr Dominic Webb	DW	
	District Cllr Julian Brazil	JB	
Members of the public	District Cllr Kate Kemp	KK	
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The meeting took place under social distancing rules and all surfaces that had been touched were cleaned at the end of the meeting.

123/20 REPORTS

123.1 SPORTS AND LEISURE

Ouvrielle Lindfield Roberts addressed the meeting about the importance of having a tennis coach and felt that imposing a charge for coaching would lead to the coach's business being no longer viable in Aveton Gifford. The Chair explained the reason for Council's decision at Minute 106.1. A lengthy discussion ensued about the Council's need to make a charge for the use of its assets. No firm decision was reached in the meeting and it was agreed to hold the matter over for further consideration.

123.2 SHOP

Nothing to report

124/20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2020 be accepted as a correct record. **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Chair signed the minutes of the meeting.

125.20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

126/20 COUNTY COUNCILLOR

RG reported that a significant increase in unemployment among 18-24 year olds was anticipated due to the effects of Covid-19. There had been no Covid-19 deaths in the county since mid June. RG commented that loneliness was a significant problem amongst the elderly as a result of the Covid lockdown.

RG was pleased to note the resurfacing of Rock Hill.

Clerk

RG offered a grant of £700 towards health and wellbeing projects in the parish.

The clerk would complete the necessary application.

RG would treat the knotweed when the precise location was identified.

127/20 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

The Clerk reported on the outcome of requests to empty the litter and dog bins around the village. SHDC had advised that bins were emptied every

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Wednesday but the operatives had discretion to leave any bin that was less than 80% full. However all bins had finally been cleared on 30th July.

Parishioners were welcome to report any full bin and the best way of doing this was via the SHDC website: <https://www.southhams.gov.uk/> on the Report It symbol.

District Councillor Julian Brazil was thanked for his help in resolving this issue.

128/20 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

SWW had advised that data from flow meters was awaited before finalising the scheme.

129/20 PLANNING

New applications: It was noted that the planning committee was not able to visit new applications because of Covid precautions. The committee would meet to discuss applications using plans alone.

SHDC Decisions:

1621/20/VAR: Wakeham New Barn Aveton Gifford TQ7 4NE

Application for variation of condition 4 of planning consent 1727/17/FUL
DECISION: Conditional Approval

1527/20/FUL Land at SX693465 Aveton Gifford

Agricultural storage building for machinery and other equipment:
DECISION: Conditional Approval

130/20 FINANCE

130.1 BANK BALANCES as at 31st July **£37,998.86**

Cash held on behalf of: -

Play Park Project	22,692
Parish Paths Partnership	1,574
Hall project, balance of Lottery grant	6,500
Neighbourhood Plan	-310
Pool liner replacement fund	2,000

130.2 PAYMENTS APPROVED (these include VAT where applicable)

Folio Payee	Reason	£
24 Kingsbridge Food Bank	Donation	100.00
25 AG Village Hall	Cleaning outside toilet	523.90
26 E.J Tarr	Play park sand removal	648.00
27 E.J Tarr	Play park pole removal	696.00
28 Greenspace	grass cutting	512.25
29 Peter Javes	Administration	329.93
30 Hydro-Logic	Stream gauge maintenance	925.20
31 Nick Walker Printing	mAGpie printing	289.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING		<u>4,024.28</u>

130.3 RECEIPTS

	£	
Lloyds Bank	Interest	1.27
Devon CC	Grant for play park	1,000.00
The Kitt Will Trust	Grant for play park	5,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS SINCE LAST MEETING		<u>6,001.27</u>

131/20 PARISH ISSUES

131.1 Low wall on Fore Street by Matford

Reported to the DCC Highways Neighbourhood officer.

131.2 Electric Car charging point: JAK had attended the on line Webinar on charging points.

131.3 Customizing Road Signs in the village: JAK reported that two designs would be chosen from those submitted by the children. JAK would then discuss the narrative message with DCC Highways. JAK will buy prizes for the children.

131.4 Fore St Traffic: It was noted that the signs advising motorists to use the by-pass the village had been stolen, the culprit was unknown. The signs had been effective in reducing through traffic.

131.5 Overgrown hedge in Icy Park: Reported to LiveWest housing association.

131.8 Moorings: RB and DW had reviewing and renewed mooring permits. It was agreed that it would be appropriate to charge for a mooring in 2021, a fee for the season of £30 was suggested.

131.9 Jubilee St car park: The meeting noted and approved the scheme to place railway sleepers marking the access to the carpentry workshop designed to prevent the route being obstructed by parked cars. This work would be done at no cost to the Council.
The owner of the black trailer on the stream side of the car park would be asked to move it

132/20 NEW VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

PS updated the meeting on detail changes to the draft design in respect of disabled access he had been discussing with the architect.

133/20 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was resolved to accept the plan with the amendments proposed by the independent examiner. It was noted that there would be no parish referendum on adopting the final plan until May 2021. However assurances had been received that the plan would carry weight in consideration of new planning applications.

134/20 TREE WARDEN

DDB was reviewing photographs of ash trees in the parish in order to monitor progress of the disease.

135/20 COVID 19 UPDATE

In accordance with Government guidelines the play park had been re-opened on 4th July.

The village hall was also being brought back into use, the Clerk had attended a meeting of hall users to discuss new procedures for users and an amendment to the hire agreement had been signed,

136/20 PLAY PARK

The installation of the new play park equipment was nearly complete and it was hoped to open it on Saturday 8th August.

E.J. Tarr's quote for clearing the concrete from the old play park and making the wood pile safe in the sum of £630 plus VAT was accepted. However it was noted that this work need not be done until the Autumn. The old concrete would be used to make a new mound round the slide,

thus making the slide much safer for children.

137/20 POLICIES

The drafts of the updated policies were agreed and adopted and it was resolved that these policies be displayed on the website:

- Financial Regulations,
- Standing Orders
- Code of Conduct
- Risk Management
- Internal Control
- Complaints

TOPIC FOR NEXT MEETING

Timbers overflow parking

Date of next meeting: 7th September 2020