

AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 1 JULY 2013  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.00 PM

<b>Present</b>	Cllr John Coates	JC	Chairman	
	Cllr Tim Abrahall	TA		
	Cllr John Brooks	JB		
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB		
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB		
	Cllr Delia Elliott	DE		
	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH		
	Cllr Neill Schroeter	NS		
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU		
	County Cllr William Mumford	WM		
	District Cllr Bryan Carson	BC		
	<b>In attendance</b>	Peter Javes		Clerk
	<b>Apologies</b>	None		

Members of the public present: 6

**110/13 REPORTS**

**Project Group**

The Project Group had contributed half the cost of the new notice boards in Timbers and half the cost of the shrubs planted in the Rectory Lawn.

**111/13 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Planning Enforcement**

It was noted that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 June 2013 had omitted the resolution to accept a six month trial of the service agreement with South Hams District Council to liaise on planning matters. The Clerk had taken the necessary action and written to the Development Manager asking for a six month trial.

**RESOLUTION: THAT** the minutes of the meeting held on 3 June 2013 be accepted as a correct record with the above omission noted.

**Proposed:** Cllr Neill Schroeter **Seconded:** Cllr Ros Brousson

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

**112/13 MATTER ARISING**

Following 104.2 JB reported on the concerns about traffic and that there would be less vehicular traffic if the new agricultural storage building at Loddiswell was erected. This matter had now been marked as requiring full planning consent.

**113/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**114/13 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The report on flooding referred to in minute 85/13 and titled Aveton Gifford Catchment Study Summary report dated 20 June 2013 had now been circulated. The meeting discussed the report in some detail. WM reported that he was trying to secure DCC funding to enlarge the span of the bridge at Tree Corner to improve the flow of water under the bridge. WM was trying to organise a meeting in mid-July of all concerned to agree next steps. WM

**115/13 RECREATION AREA – PLAY PARK PHASE 2**

The meeting noted the RoSPA report on the new play park and the Allianz insurance report which contained some recommendations. The meeting also noted the letter from a parishioner who was concerned about the safety of the new play park. This letter had been passed to RoSPA and the designer and a meeting to discuss its content would be held on site in the near future. The meeting discussed the merits of placing a fence round the park to prevent dog

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fouling, but there was no evidence of such a problem at present. The situation would be reviewed in September.

### 116/13 TIMBERS CAR PARK

An e-mail was noted from SHDC stating that parking charges would not be imposed on Timbers car park. However SHDC would no longer clear derelict boats free of charge from the car park.

The old tourist information board in the car park had been refurbished with volunteer labour. Four new weatherproof notice boards had been placed there containing much useful local information. The Aveton Gifford Parish Project Group had contributed half the cost and supplied the maps and information.

### 117/13 HOUSING

BC reported that in principle the Homefield site could be used for self-build affordable housing. TA would open negotiations with the agent acting for the land owner. TA

### 118/13 PLANNING

There were no applications to consider.

### 119/13 FINANCE

Bank balances

The clerk reported the balances listed below:

Bank account –current	£	3,479.25
-savings		<u>5,641.18</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>9,120.43</b>

The following payments were approved:-

Post Office re HMRC	Administration	384.80
AG Village Hall	Rent hall & cleaning and water	451.90
S.W. Highways Ltd	Miscellaneous	64.80
Plants Direct SW Ltd	Miscellaneous	310.50
SHDC	Loan repayments	517.83
James Fowler	Administration	78.13
Peter Javes	Administration	202.22
Michelmores Hughes	Rent rectory lawn	300.00
Nick Walker Printing Ltd	Magpie expenses	188.00
John Reid PPP	Parish Paths Partnership	147.00
John Reid	Grass/paths/tree maintenance	284.00
E.J.Tarr	Play park	2,757.60
E.J.Tarr	Play park	268.80
AG Village Hall	Rent hall & cleaning and water	188.50
Magnet Media	Website	<u>30.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,174.08</b>

The clerk would be submitting a VAT return for the six months ended 30 June Clerk  
in the sum of £6,331.

The allotment field rent of £500 had been invoiced.

### 120/13 ALLOTMENT FIELD

The sign declaring the purchase of the field with the assistance of Devon County Council was displayed to the meeting. This would be fixed at the Bakers Hill entrance gate.

### 121/13 COMMUNICATIONS

#### 121.1 Website

DE reported on progress with developing a new website for the parish. It was

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hoped to include a diary and an archive of mAGpie issues.

### 121.2 **Engaging with younger people**

Junior tennis coaching with an LTA professional would run in the summer. It was also hoped to start stand up paddle board sessions.

### 122/13 **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS'S REPORT**

BC reported that the scheme to build 5,500 houses at Sherford (near Plymouth) would go ahead.

The Boundary Commission was due to report in August on the proposals for revised councillor representation in South Hams.

A Charterland cluster meeting was held in Ringmore on 27 June at which it had been decided to resubmit the application for additional parish lengthsmen work to be shared between the cluster parishes.

### 123/13 **PARISH FACILITIES**

#### 123.1 **Rectory Lawn**

The Rectory Lawn planting had now been completed with volunteer labour. The Aveton Gifford Parish Project Group had contributed half the cost

#### 123.2 **School Swimming Pool**

It was noted that school swimming pool required attention, the potential cost could be £20,000. This would be discussed at the next meeting.

#### 123.3 **Playing Field**

It was noted that an application had been made to Fields in Trust for a grant of £25,000 to pay for an all weather path around the field and further drainage.

#### 123.4 **Bonfire Night**

**RESOLUTION: THAT** fireworks be purchased on behalf of Aveton Gifford Sports and Leisure (AGSL) on condition that the net cost be repaid by AGSL. Clerk

**Proposed:** Sarah Marcus **Seconded:** Cllr Neill Schroeter

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### 124/13 **MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS**

Cluster meeting at Ringmore, two councillors and the clerk.  
Chairman with the school head.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm

Next meeting: Monday 5 August 2013