

AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 11 MAY 2015
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 6.30 PM

Present	Cllr John Brooks	JB	Chairman following minute 61/14	
	Cllr Tim Abrahall	TA		
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB		
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB		
	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH		
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW		Following minute
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU		
Cllr John Yeabsley	JY			
In attendance	Peter Javes		Clerk	

Members of the public present: 7.

78/15 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

78.1 RESOLUTION THAT the following be elected to the positions indicated

		Proposed	Seconded
Chairman	Cllr John Brooks	Cllr Ros Brousson	Cllr Tim Abrahall
Vice chair	Cllr Tim Abrahall	Cllr Sarah Harcus	Cllr Ros Brousson

Carried unanimously

In addition the following were appointed members of the Planning committee:-

Cllr Tim Abrahall
Cllr John Brooks
Cllr Ros Brousson
Cllr Sarah Harcus
Cllr David Davis-Berry

78.2 RESOLUTION THAT Rosie Warrillow be co-opted to the parish council.

Proposed Cllr Tim Abrahall **Seconded** Cllr Sarah Harcus

Carried unanimously

And the following agreed to fill the positions indicated:

Village Hall representative	Cllr Rosie Warrillow
Parish Paths Partnership representative	James Fowler
Tree Warden	Cllr David Davis-Berry
Shop Committee	Cllr Sarah Harcus
Sports and Leisure Association	Cllr Sarah Harcus
Digital representative – website and Facebook etc	Cllr Pippa Unwin

79/15 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was noted that the date of the opening of the tennis court would be 25 May, subject to this amendment

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2015 be accepted as a correct record

Proposed: Cllr Ros Brousson **Seconded:** Cllr Rosie Warrillow

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

80/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

There were no declarations of interest. All councillors signed declarations of acceptance of office.

81/15 SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL

RESOLUTION THAT a lease for the school swimming pool for a term of seven years between The Exeter Diocesan Board of Finance Limited and the First Federation Trust and Aveton Gifford Parish Council be entered into and the Chairman and Clerk be and are hereby authorised to execute the lease

Proposed: Cllr Sarah Harcus **Seconded:** Cllr Tim Abrahall

Motion carried unanimously.

Once the lease had been completed by the other parties keys would be sold to parishioners to use the pool outside of school hours. The charge for a family would be £40 for the season, to include mandatory resuscitation training for the keyholder.

82/15 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

Flood Resilience

Following the meeting on 30 January 2015 nothing had been heard from SWW, the

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Clerk was instructed to contact Gary Streeter MP to see if he could influence progress.

Clerk's note: Subsequent to the meeting a report was received from SWW, copied at Annex A.

News is still awaited from SHDC/DCC re dredging Parson's Brook. The PC would like the work to be carried out a.s.a.p this summer before bad weather later in the year, and also to tie in with work for the new footpath on the green. Richard Hosking to approach DCC again re an appropriate contribution to the work. RH

83/15 PARISH PLAN PRIORITIES

Traffic Calming

The second phase of the traffic calming would be implemented by DCC in the near future.

84/15 PLAY PARK INSPECTION

RESOLUTION THAT the quote from Earthwrights Limited in the sum of £1,989.05 to carry out repairs and refurbishment of the play park be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Sarah Marcus **Seconded:** Cllr Ros Brousseau

Resolution carried unanimously

85/15 PLANNING

02/0968/15/F 1 Wesley Terrace, TQ7 4JJ replace roof with natural slate and raise ridge height by 120mm – no objections.

86/15 FINANCE

86.1 Bank balances

The clerk reported the bank balances listed below:	£	
Bank account -current		9,407.04
-savings		16,905.46
TOTAL		<u>26,312.50</u>

86.2 Payments approved

Payee	Reason	Amount £
Broker Network Ltd	Insurance premium 2015-16	424.35
Palladium	Miscellaneous	2.66
AG Village Hall	Rent hall	32.50
South and West Audit	Audit	325.00
Peter Javes	Administration and disbursements	274.22
John Reid	Grass/paths/tree maintenance	263.00
John Reid	Parish Paths Partnership	111.98
TOTAL		<u>1,433.71</u>

87/15 ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

The annual return for the year ended 31 March 2015 had been circulated before the meeting. It was noted that the internal auditor had found the accounts to be satisfactory and had signed Section 4, the annual internal audit report to Aveton Gifford Parish Council.

RESOLUTION THAT the annual return for the year ended 31 March 2015 be adopted and that the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer be and are hereby authorised to sign Section 1 accounting statements and Section 2 annual governance statement.

Proposed: Cllr Ros Brousseau **Seconded:** Cllr David Davis-Berry

Resolution carried unanimously

The Clerk was authorised to submit the annual return to Grant Thornton UK LLP the external auditor. Clerk

88/15 INSURANCE RENEWAL

RESOLUTION THAT the renewal quote from Broker Network for 2015-16 be accepted to include the Allotment Association and school pool for a premium of £425.35

Proposed: Cllr Sarah Marcus Seconded: Cllr Ros Brousseau

Resolution carried unanimously

89/15 BENCHES

89.1 In Memory of Alex Peguero Sosa

A new bench would now be sited on the Avon Coastal Footpath alongside the A379 behind 22 Glebe Land.

89.2 In Memory of Thomas Capewell

Access to the bench on the Tidal Road would be improved by Peter Smith at the PC's expense, subject to the landowner's approval.

90/15 PARISH FACILITIES

90.1 Icy Park Steps: To be repaired by SHDC.

90.2 Anchor on roundabout: To be repaired by JB/TA.

90.3 Footpath across playing field: Awaiting dredging of Parson's Brook

90.4 Village Stocks: To be refurbished.

90.5 Street Name Signs

Following minute 52/15 IB to be asked to find out what's happening with the street name signs at Church Lane, Tree Corner etc which SHDC had proposed to remove against the wishes of the PC.

91/15 MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT MEETING

- Achievement in the last five years and projections for the next five years
- Car parking in the village

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm

Next meeting: Monday 1 June 2015.

ANNEX A

DRAINAGE SURVEY WORK AT AVETON GIFFORD

Following on from earlier flood investigation work and meetings held with local residents, councillors, Aveton Gifford Flood Group and Gary Streeter MP regarding sewer flooding in the village, further drainage survey work has been completed.

The survey work was to confirm the connectivity of surface water drains to the public combined sewer that serves the area. This information will be used to identify locations where surface water can be simply removed from the combined sewers. This will reduce surface water from entering the foul sewers which currently causes them to surcharge and spill contaminated water.

The surface water separation approach of flood prevention is being progressed and we are planning to hold discussions with the school, and later residents, to outline how this would work.

We will of course keep you updated as this work progresses, but please be assured of our commitment to significantly improving the sewer flooding issues experienced in Aveton Gifford.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Lorna Devenish Communications Officer South West Water

The parish council meeting was immediately followed by the Annual Parish meeting. Twelve members of the public were present and heard reports submitted by the following:-

Aveton Gifford Parish Council
Allotment Association
Devon County Council
Village Hall
Parish Project Group
Parish Paths Partnership
Pre-School: The Hive
Shop
South Hams District Council
Sports & Leisure Association
St Andrews PCC
The Taverners
Tree Warden
Women's Institute

The Clerk has all the written reports and anybody may apply to the Clerk for a copy.