

AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 1 AUGUST 2016
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.30 PM**

Present	Cllr Tim Abrahall	TA	In the Chair
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Sarah Marcus	SH	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	Cllr John Yeabsley	JY	
	County Cllr Richard Hosking	RH	
Apologies	District Cllr Ian Bramble	IB	
	Cllr John Brooks	JB	
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU	
In attendance	Peter Javes		Clerk

Members of the public present: 4

138/16 REPORTS

Shop: The EPOS equipment had been delivered but was not yet operational because the shop was short-staffed at present.

139/16 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2016 be accepted as a correct record

Proposed: Cllr Peter Smith **Seconded:** Cllr Sarah Marcus

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

140/16 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR

TA reported that John Brooks had tendered his resignation as chairman and as a councillor with immediate effect due to other commitments on his time. He planned to complete the action points for him, such as the anchor on the roundabout etc. Councillors understood the reason for his resignation and recorded their appreciation of his significant contribution to the parish over the last three years.

The Clerk would advertise a casual vacancy for a new councillor.

Clerk

141/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

142/16 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

142.1 Watershed Project: Work had started on connecting the school grounds to the new surface water drain.

142.2 Flood Group: Nothing to report.

142.3 Stream dredging, gravel plan: PS had cleared the stream of debris and reported that it was flowing well and there was little erosion of the banks.

143/16 HOUSING INITIATIVE AND SELF-BUILD

Now to be part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

144/16 PLANNING

144.1 1839/16/HHO Greenlands, Higher Wizaller Farm, PL21 0SE: Extension and alteration to existing bungalow. No objection.

144.2 2100/16/ARM Beer Wood, Loddiswell, TQ7 4EQ

Access, layout and landscaping for permanent agricultural dwelling. No objection.

145/16 FINANCE

145.1 Bank balances

Bank balances as at 31 July:

£12,705.75

145.2 Payments approved to be paid electronically:-

Payee	Reason	Amount £
Peter Javes	Administration	267.83

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Peter Javes	Dog bags	31.96
Nick Walker Printing	mAGpie	222.00
John Reid	Parish Paths Partnership	180.00
John Reid	Grass and trees	230.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>931.79</u>
Thus cash now available		<u>11,773.96</u>

VAT of £2,429.60 had been recovered in the month.

- 145.3 mAGpie Circulation**
RESOLUTION: THAT the mAGpie print run be increased from 450 to 500 at an additional cost of £10.
Proposed: Cllr David Davis-Berry **Seconded:** Cllr Rosie Warrillow
Motion carried unanimously.
- 146/16 PARISH ISSUES**
- 146.1 Car parking:** No further progress
- 146.2 Transfer of assets:** Ongoing
- 146.3 Salt and gritter:** The container donated by TA was now ready to be placed in Timbers inner car park. Arrangements needed to be made to re-bag the salt stored at North Efford and transport it to the new store.
- 146.4 Play Park:** IB invited a grant application to buy equipment for the junior play park. It was agreed that the junior play park needed weeding and John Reid would be asked to do this. Councillors would inspect the play park equipment. Clerk
- 146.5 Pool:** PS reported on the condition of the pool which was now being well used. The school had been invited to give feedback on their use of the pool.
- 146.6 CCTV:** Nothing to report but to justify an installation confirmation was needed from the police that they would be willing to act on any evidence gained from CCTV.
- 146.8 Village hall:** Initial drawings had been shown to the hall committee and an indicative building price was now being sought. TA
- 146.9 Goal and rugby posts:** PS would finalise a recommendation for new posts. RH invited a grant application towards the cost. PS Clerk
- 146.10 Control of moorings on the Avon:** Deferred to next meeting.
- 146.11 Junction of Fore St, Baker St and Jubilee St:** JY expressed concern at the speed of vehicles coming down Baker St. It was agreed to form a traffic sub-committee to submit ideas to go into the Neighbourhood Plan. Councillors on the sub-committee would be RB, PS and JY and nominations would be sought from residents.
- 147/16 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**
 The NP group had been to an SHDC workshop regarding the working of neighbourhood plans. It was noted that the main focus was housing and Aveton Gifford was likely to have an allocation of between 15 and 20 houses over the life of the plan. Owners of land in the parish were invited to put forward offers to develop their land for housing. Plymouth and South West Devon joint local plan which was designed to result in 700 new houses across the South Hams. The draft plan could be viewed on www.southhams.gov.uk. The deadline for comments is 12 August 2016.
 The NP group would meet again on 3 August to develop the housing survey.
- 148/16 TREE WARDEN**
Trees in bank beside road leading up to A379
 Following minute 131/16 the response from DCC and SHDC was noted. IB would follow up with SHDC as owners of the land at the back of Icy Park. IB
 DDB reported that a survey of yew trees in the village would be carried out.

149/16 PLANS FOR NEXT 5 YEARS

The plan was amended in the light of achievements to date by the removal of asset transfer and footpath around the playing field.

150/16 COUNTY COUNCILLOR

RH was still awaiting prices for 20mph signs and roundels for Fore St. DCC was continuing discussions for devolution of powers from central government.

Invitations to tender for Broadband Phase 2 had been sent out.

151/16 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

IB reported that SHDC had taken on temporary staff to deal with shortfalls in the service offered by the district council. IB invited comments on the proposal to form a limited company to carry out SHDC functions and employ its staff. After some discussion councillors were against the idea and supported IB's view.

152/16 TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Councillor vacancy

Appointment of vice-chair

Meeting closed at 9.00

Next meeting: Monday 5 September 2016 at 7.30