

**AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2016  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.30 PM**

<b>Present</b>	Cllr Tim Abrahall	TA	In the Chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr Sarah Walkup	SW	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	Cllr John Yeabsley	JY	
<b>Apologies</b>	District Cllr Ian Bramble	IB	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU	
<b>In attendance</b>	County Cllr Richard Hosking	RH	
	Peter Javes		Clerk
	PC Ryan Hayhurst		
	PCSO Warren Palmer		

Members of the public present: 4

**169/16 REPORTS**

**169.1 Police**

PC Ryan Hayhurst was introduced as the new neighbourhood beat manager. He reported that there had been three cases of criminal damage in September, all linked and involving an air rifle. The police would be very supportive of CCTV being installed in the village and the contact for police advice was passed to the clerk.

The matter of illegal parking by parents dropping and collecting children at school was discussed. The police would visit the school to give advice about a message to go in a newsletter to parents and in addition would place cones in the gutter where illegal parking was causing a dangerous obstruction.

**169.2 Shop:** Nothing to report.

**169.3 Project Group:** Delia Elliott was preparing a book as a memorial to the late Jocelyn Ponting and proceeds would go towards supporting the shop.

**170/16 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLUTION:** THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2016 be accepted as a correct record

**Proposed:** Cllr Ros Brousson **Seconded:** Cllr John Yeabsley

**Motion carried unanimously. The chairman signed the minutes**

**171/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**172/16 FLOODING AND SEWAGE**

**172.1 Watershed Project:** The clerk was instructed to ascertain if the school surface water had now been completely disconnected from the foul drain. Clerk

**172.2 Flood Group:** The group would meet soon.

**173/16 PLANNING**

Nothing to report

**174/16 FINANCE**

**174.1 Bank balances**

Bank balances as at 30 September: **£15,692.88**

The second half of the precept for 2016-17 of £10,825 was due to be paid on 4 October. In addition the DCC grant of £1,000 for the new football posts would be paid in the very near future.

**174.2 Payments approved to be paid electronically:-**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
Peter Javes	Administration	342.63
Peter Javes	Miscellaneous	37.38

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T & H Abrahall	Pool sundries	47.10
SHDC	Rent of playing field	120.00
John Reid	Grass and trees	311.00
Grant Thornton UK LLP	Audit fee	270.00
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b><u>1,128.11</u></b>
<b>Thus cash now available</b>		<b><u>26,389.77</u></b>

The car show committee had agreed the following disbursements of the 2016 takings:

St Andrew's Church £100 and Sports and Leisure £1,000

The balance would be used to install photovoltaic panels on the roof of the pre-school to generate electricity for heating the pool. The clerk was instructed to disburse these sums from the parish council funds held on behalf of the Car Show.

Clerk

**175/16 RECTORY LAWN LEASE**

Michelmores Hughes had advised that the rent on the Rectory Lawn would be increased from £600 p.a. to £662 p.a. with effect from 1 January 2017.

**RESOLUTION: THAT** the increase be accepted

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

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**176/16 FIREWORKS FOR BONFIRE NIGHT**

The parish council had been advised that a trained firework technician would not be available for this year's fireworks and thus it would be necessary to use smaller fireworks at a higher cost.

**RESOLUTION: THAT** the parish council would buy fireworks on behalf of Sports and Leisure in order to reclaim the VAT and Sports and Leisure would re-imburse the council one half of the net cost,.

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

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**177/16 PARISH ISSUES**

**177.1 Car parking:** Nothing to report

**177.2 Transfer of assets:** SHDC had advertised the proposed transfer in the Kingsbridge & Salcombe Gazette and if there were no objections the transfer would go ahead.

**177.3 Salt and gritter:** The container in Timbers had been painted and levelled and was ready to receive the salt stored at North Efford.

**177.4 Play Park:** **RESOLUTION: THAT** Earthwrights design number 2 for a Toddler Tower be accepted at a cost of £3,500 subject to further grant funding being awarded by DCC.

Clerk

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

**Motion carried by a majority.**

**177.5 Pool:** The pool was now closed for the year. TA outlined a scheme to install photovoltaic panels on the roof of the pre-school to generate electricity for heating the pool. This would be funded from the Car Show monies held by the parish council.

RB would issue a reminder to keyholders to return keys to the pool.

**177.6 CCTV:** The police reported positively on the installation of CCTV and had given a contact for expert advice.

Clerk

**177.7 Village hall:** TA was receiving quotes.

TA

**177.8 Playing Field gate at pub end of field**

The pedestrian side gate alongside the vehicle gate would be removed in order to allow mobility scooters and horses easier access and egress.

Clerk

**177.9 Control of moorings on the Avon:** RB would send details to the Clerk.

RB

- 177.10 Junction of Fore St, Baker St and Jubilee St:** Referred to the traffic calming sub-committee.
- 177.11 Slippery footpaths due to moss**  
The footpath up to Pulleys Close and the Church had been cleared. The path up to Icy Park still needed attention.
- 178/16 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**  
A grant of £1,550 had been received and would be used to pay for the new website and survey questionnaire.
- 179/16 TREE WARDEN**  
**Trees in bank beside road leading up to A379** Nothing to report. IB
- 180/16 PAYMENT FOR CASUAL LABOUR**  
**RESOLUTION: THAT** the parish council make an ex-gratia payment of £30 to Jane White for her work in clearing the bank and cutting the hedge at the top of the road leading to Icy Park and Glebe Land. Clerk  
**Proposed:** Cllr Rosie Warrillow **Seconded:** Cllr Sarah Walkup  
**Motion carried unanimously.**
- 181/16 PLANS FOR NEXT 5 YEARS**  
Nothing to report.
- 182/16 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**  
IB reported on a campaign to try and achieve improvements to the A3196 road between California Cross and Wrangaton. All South Hams parish councils would be invited to contribute to this campaign to try and get the road widened.  
On a question from the floor IB agreed to investigate the problem with the Follaton House phone system.
- 183/16 REMEMBRANCE DAY**  
**RESOLUTION: THAT** the budgeted grant to the Royal British Legion for the Remembrance Day wreath and donation of £50 be paid.  
**Proposed:** Cllr Ros Brousson **Seconded:** Cllr Rosie Warrillow  
**Motion carried unanimously.**  
RW volunteered to place the wreath on behalf of the council at the ceremony
- 184/16 TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**
- Decoration of bus shelter
  - Cleaning of verges on bridge
  - Underpass lights (any lights not working can be reported on [www.new.devon.gov.uk](http://www.new.devon.gov.uk))

Meeting closed at 8.30

Next meeting: Monday 7 November 2016 at 7.30