

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 8 JANUARY 2018
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.30 PM**

Present	Cllr John Yeabsley	JY	In the Chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Sarah Marcus	SH	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Ian Stainton	IS	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	District Cllr Ian Bramble	IB	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
Apologies	Cllr Susan Cherry	SC	
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU	
In attendance	Peter Javes		Clerk
Members of the public present: 3			

1/18 REPORTS

1.1 Shop: The position of shop manager had been filled, to start on 1 April 2018.

1.2 Parish Paths Partnership: The annual survey of footpaths in the parish was underway. New kissing gates would be installed on FP1.

2/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 4 December be accepted as a correct record

Proposed: Cllr Sarah Marcus Seconded: Cllr Peter Smith

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

3/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

4/18 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

4.1 Flood Group: SWW had reported to the Clerk that there was no further information at this stage about an engineering solution to the sewage overflows in Jubilee Street.

4.2 Rain Gauge: No response as yet from Waterhead residents about joining the automated calls warning of excessively high rain fall rates. PS showed the data from the reporting system over the recent period of heavy rain. This demonstrated that that the monitoring system was working well. It was agreed to place signs in the hall car park warning that the lower section could flood in times of heavy rain. PS

4.3 Flooding at Chantry: RG would ascertain if all the planned work had been completed. RG

5/18 PLANNING

5.1 4078/17/ARM Oak Park Farm:

Reserved matters following outline approval for rural worker's dwelling. **Supported**

5.2 4180/17/FUL The Old Post Office, Fore Street:

Change of use retail to residential **Supported**

6/18 FINANCE

Bank balances

Bank balances as at 31 December: **£12,078.15**

PAYMENTS APPROVED

Payee	Reason	Amount £
Michelmore Hughes	Rent on Rectory Lawn	662.00
David Davis-Berry	Neighbourhood Plan	40.00
Peter Javes	Administration	296.34
T & H Abrahall	Car Show	17.46
AG Village Hall	Rent of hall	26.00
E.J.Tarr	New stakes by slipway	326.40

Peter Smith	Non-slip mat for footbridge	123.93
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>1,492.13</u>
Cash held on behalf of car show		8,208.54
Parish Paths Partnership		1,291.00

Payments listed above include VAT where applicable. VAT of £3,057.33 had been claimed from HMRC but not yet paid.
The precept request for 2018-19 would be discussed fully at a separate meeting on 21 January at 5pm.

7/18 NEW VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

PU had given the Clerk a list of potential grant funding and the Clerk would make further applications. The Clerk had submitted a grant application to the Trusthouse Charitable Foundation but there had been no response to date. IB suggested that an application be made to SHDC's Section 106 fund. SHDC had agreed to provide an initial grant of £2,000 towards the initial project costs.

Clerk

8/18 PARISH ISSUES

8.1 Timbers: It was agreed to buy tools to be kept in the salt store to maintain the car park (such as a yard broom, shovel and spade etc). The sapling growing beside the culvert would be removed. The plane trees in the inner car park would be felled by SHDC. St Dunstan's School, Plymouth had been advised that their school bus would not be able to use the Timbers as a drop off/pick up point once the overhead barrier had been installed. The top bar would be put in place after the recycling bins had been relocated. RB spoke about the Duchy's plans to remove abandoned boats from the river.

8.2 Village Stocks: PS had a quote of £1,200 for labour in making the installation for the stocks. A further quote was awaited. Sponsors for the work would be sought.

8.3 Anchor on roundabout: JY would chase the return of the anchor to be placed on the roundabout.

JY

8.4 Recycling Bins: It was agreed to resume the preparatory works for the hardstanding at the new location. RG would try and secure a higher standard of skips to be positioned at the new location.

8.5 Path from hall to tennis court: It was agreed to lay more gravel on the path and to cut back the bamboo and laurel hedge opposite the court. The hedge adjacent to the path by the hall would be cut by the householder when conditions were suitable.

8.6 Hedge Cutting, allotments and Glebe Land: It was agreed to invite E. J Tarr to cut the hedges before the bird nesting season.

9/18 PLAY PARK

There was a further discussion about the play park and ongoing maintenance. Because of its wooden construction it will be expensive to keep safe and in use. This fact would need to be borne in mind when setting the precept on future years.

10/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

DDB reported that the Steering |Group would meet on 20 January. There had been a meeting with the executor of Jim Irish's estate and although probate had not yet been granted they seemed willing to work with the parish on provision of additional car parking etc.

11/18 COUNTY COUNCILLOR

RG offered a grant of £1,000 to the village hall project to be paid in April 2018. RG gave the name of the contact obtaining planning permission for an exit to the highway for any new temporary car parking. RG agreed to update the latest situation of the Chantry flooding works.

RG

12/18 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

IB spoke about the SHDC initiative for implementing a local lottery to fund projects in the South Hams. He also reported on initiatives for supporting low cost housing. SHDC would continue to support the council tax reduction scheme for certain residents. SHDC would not be replacing the Head of Paid Services who had resigned. An underspend against budget was forecast for the current financial year.

13/18 TREE WARDEN

DDB reported that he was still awaiting quotes for trees needing attention in the village.

- 3593/17/TCA: Moonrakers, Fore Street , T6: Monterey Pine - fell, approved
- 3265/17/TPO: 22 Glebe Land, T1 Lime - pollard to 2.2m, refused but lesser works agreed

14/18 BANTHAM SWOOSH

RB reported that places for the 2018 event had sold out very quickly after going on sales. The six tickets donated to AG would bring in at least £400 each in aid of the Community Pool. Pictures of children using the pool would be very helpful in promoting sponsorship.

15/18 CAR SHOW 2018

The new e-mail address of agpcclerk@gmail.com had been given to car clubs to show interest.

16/18 MEETINGS ATTENDED

None

17/18 CORRESPONDENCE

- South West Ambulance Service re the defibrillator

18/18 TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Tidal road clean up
- Parish assets maintenance
- Swimming pool season

Meeting closed at 9.25 Next meeting: Monday 8 February 2018 at 7.30