

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 1 OCTOBER 2018
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, AVETON GIFFORD AT 7.30 PM**

Present	Cllr John Yeabsley	JY	In the Chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr Susan Cherry	SC	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Sarah Marcus	SH	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
	District Cllr Ian Bramble	IB	
	Cllr Pippa Unwin	PU	
In attendance	PC Ryan Hayhurst		Police
	Peter Javes		Clerk
	Gigaclear representatives		

Members of the public present: 3

The meeting opened with one minute's silence in memory of Ken Doughty who had died on 16 September 2018. He had been parish clerk and was the founder of the Parish Project Group and was also instrumental in setting up the mAGpie. He had written several books and pamphlets of local interest.

176/18 FIBRE OPTICS WORK IN FORE STREET

Three representatives of Gigaclear and their contractor gave an update on the works currently in progress on Fore Street. Questions were raised about road closure signage and signed diversions. Gigaclear undertook to address these concerns and sweep the street thoroughly when the works had finished. It was anticipated that the resulting high speed broadband connections would be live in March or April 2019.

177/18 REPORTS

177.1 Shop: The new shopkeeper had been accepted by the Post Office to become postmistress but she needed to undergo PO training. It was noted that the fibre optics works in Fore Street had resulted in a significant loss of business for the shop. RG indicated that he should be able to help with a grant.

177.2 Project Group: Ken Doughty would be much missed by the Project Group. Volunteers were needed to help set up the WWI exhibition in the Church. The Cookworthy Museum had been most helpful in assisting with material for this exhibition.

177.3 Police: see report at Annex A, delivered by PC Hayhurst, who also contributed to the discussion under minute 184.1.

178/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION: THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 3 September be accepted as a correct record

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

179/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

DDB re 187/18 and ownership of land adjoining a potential development site.

180/18 MATTERS ARISING

180.1 Anchor on roundabout. DCC had indicated that the anchor should not be replaced on the roundabout. Councillors would visit the area to look for an alternative position.

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180.2 Overgrown hedge in Icy Park. The hedge had now been cut.

181/18 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

Nothing to report.

182/18 FINANCE

182.1 Bank balances as at 1 October: **£37,547.26**

Payments Approved	Reason	Amount £
Payee		
Greenspace	Grass cutting	280.00
JRB Enterprise Ltd	Dog bags	77.16
Peter Javes	Administration	310.70
John Reid	Grass cutting	297.00
John Reid	Parish Paths Partnership	132.00
Nick Walker Printing	mAGpie printing	217.00
Nick Walker Printing	Neighbourhood Plan leaflets	55.00
David Davis Berry	Neighbourhood Plan expenses	27.00
Colin Pearson	Community Pool	875.00
SHDC	Playpark insurance and inspection	240.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>2,293.86</u>

182.2 Cash held on behalf of:-

Car show – (some expenses still to be accounted for)	11,549.00
Parish Paths Partnership	762.00
Payments listed above include VAT where applicable.	

182.3 Receipts

Parish Paths Partnership	400.00
mAGpie advert- W & S Walters	17.00
SHDC – Precept 2 nd half	<u>12,000.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>12,417.00</u>

183/18 NEW VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

The school had finally advised its requirements for a new building but they were felt to be less than comprehensive, thus the architect would be asked to make assumptions about the school's needs.

184/18 PARISH ISSUES

184.1 Car parks: It was agreed to go ahead with CCTV in Timbers and PS showed the type of camera to be installed as a trial. IB invited the Clerk to submit a form for grant funding towards the cost. PS Clerk

184.2 Lorry traffic on Baker's Hill: DCC would be asked if "No HGV" signs could be erected at each end of Baker's Hill. Clerk

185/18 PARISH ASSETS MAINTENANCE

185.1 Play Park: A sub-committee including young parents would be formed to recommend new equipment for the junior play park.

186.2 Vegetation alongside stream: The bank of the stream through the playing field had now been strimmed and weeds would now be removed from the stream.

186.3 Dinghy moorings on the foreshore: A working party would be organised to space out the poles and install further moorings.

187/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

DDB reported on the meeting with the expert advisor who felt that some of the policies needed more justification. The housing survey was felt to be inadequate. Thus there would be a further open day on Saturday 27 October with Devon Rural Housing present as an enabler.

There was disagreement about the sites identified for housing development in the parish. A decision on the preferred sites would be made at the next meeting.

188/18 TREE WARDEN

DDB reported on the large conifer by the stream in a garden almost behind Brook Court. This would be difficult and expensive to fell.

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DDB was also reviewing the pollarding of willows alongside the stream.

189/18 COMMUNITY POOL

The pool was now closed for the season. It was agreed that the installation of solar panels to generate electricity was no longer appropriate. PS remarked that the paving slabs around the pool needed attention and he would get a quote. PS

190/18 BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS

Ian Stainton had agreed to organise the bonfire and fireworks again this year on Saturday 3 November. As in previous years the parish council would buy the fireworks and Sports and Leisure would contribute half of the net cost before VAT. Sports and Leisure would keep any donations given by the public attending the event.

There was a discussion about coping with crowds and the adequacy of parking. RB had generously offered the use of her field but was concerned that, if wet, cars would become bogged down. It was agreed to inspect the ground two days before the event and if ground conditions were poor the event would be cancelled.

The police would be invited to attend to deal with inappropriate parking on the A379.

191/18 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

It was agreed to donate £50 towards the Royal British Legion for a wreath to be laid on the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday. JY or RW would lay the wreath at the ceremony.

RW reported that the vicar had invited councillors and representatives of village organisations to attend the service following the ceremony.

192/18 CAR SHOW FUNDS

Letters of thanks had been sent to Rick Clayton, Chris Knapman and Ian Stainton for their work in organising this year's show.

The PC would consider how the funds accumulated should be disbursed.

193/18 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Tony Porter and e-mail from the Abrahalls thanking the parish council for the gifts in respect of their contribution to the Classic Car shows over many years.

194/18 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Multi-use games area on the playing field (MUGA) and/or tennis developments.

Date of next meeting: 5 November 2018

Annex A: Police Report

Total crime between 03/09/18 – 01/10/18: 2 Crimes: (same period 2017:1 Crime)

Fraud	Theft from motor vehicle		
1	1		

PC 6486 Ryan Hayhurst
Kingsbridge Neighbourhood Team.