

# AVENING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF AVENING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
THURSDAY, 18 JUNE 2015 at 7.30 pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr A Slater (Chairman), Cllr J Parsons, Cllr Mrs G Parsons (from 7.32),

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr E Worsdell, Mrs E Ind, Mr N Stanton, Mr D Ind, Mr J Collinson (Projects) and Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk).

## 72/15 Public Question Time

**Mrs Ind and Mr Stanton** explained that as Playgroup Trustees they wished to have further information about the Council's interest in the Playgroup and the land that the building sits on. The Chairman explained that the Council is aware that the Playgroup is experiencing some problems and it was only a suggestion that the Council may be able to help by obtaining the title to the land and that various options of assistance are being explored. Cllr Parsons further explained about meetings that have taken place with the School and GCC. Mrs Ind and Mr Stanton were assured that no decisions have been made and that if any useful options arise then everyone concerned will be consulted.

Mr And Mrs Ind confirmed that the number of children attending the Playgroup and the Primary School are affected by the resident/families living at Sunground and that the levels are cyclical.

**Mr D ind** stated that he had been concerned for about 2 years about the parking at the junction of High Street and Point Road that is dangerous and about the state of the roads in general. Members confirmed that Point Road, New Inn Lane, above 20 Star Lane are about to be re-surfaced and the Clerk was requested to contact Highways

**Action:** about preventing parking on a dangerous bend.

## 73/15 Police - To Receive Monthly Crime And Anti Social Behaviour Report

Noted. The Clerk was requested to ask for more detail.

## 74/15 Apologies And Reasons For Absence

Cllr J Catterall (Personal), Cllr D Conway (Personal), Cllr M Williamson (Personal), Cllr T Beardsell – Resignation. Chairman explained that Mr Beardsell had resigned on ground of ill health. Members expressed their regret and the Chairman thanked Mr Beardsell for his work.

**Action:**

## 75/15 Code of Conduct

### 75.1/15 Declarations Of Interest in Items on the Agenda

The Chairman declared an interest in Bills for Payment – Item 82.2/15

### 75.2/15 Updates to Members Register Interested (if appropriate)

None

### 75.3/15 Standing Orders and Meeting Procedure

#### RESOLUTION 26/15

It was resolved to approve the revised Standing Orders as attached and to issue a copy to all Members emphasising the meetings procedure.

**Action:**

## 76/15 Matters Arising From The Minutes

### CD Planning Advice Regarding Condition attached to Applications

Cllr Parsons confirmed that CDC Cabinet had recently passed the s106 and will brief Members on the details at the next meeting. He further advised that Wilson Homes are to develop the site at Sunground and once a revised plan is submitted, the Council may be able to negotiate Community Benefit for the Village. In addition, the Council will also request CDC to impose other restrictions around the site entrance to safeguard children, parents and staff of the Playgroup.

### Maintenance of Ash Path

**Action:** Cllr Parsons agreed to contact the resident who had cut the grass and advise the Clerk.

### Maintenance of Trees on Boundary with Playing Field and Sunground

**Action:** The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted the Land Agent of the Gatcombe Estate and was waiting for further information when he returned from holiday.

**Ruggers Wood**

Cllr Parsons confirmed that he had notified CDC Enforcement about the condition of the site and the Council's concerns.

**77/15 Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 21 May 2015**

**RESOLUTION 27/15**

The Minutes were unanimously agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.

**78/15 Co-Option to Fill the Vacancy**

**Action:** In view of the low attendance it was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

**79/15 County and District Councillors' Reports**

Cllr Hicks (GCC) - not available

Cllr Parsons (CDC) reported:

- The planning application for an Anaerobic Digester at Chavenage had been refused by SDC and the applicant has now taken it to Appeal. Members agreed to support the lobby group objecting to the development and gave Cllr Parsons Jim authority to act on behalf of Parish Council.
- The Village Shop group are having difficulty finding suitable location.
- Disappearing Stream – The hole needs to be filled with blue clay to prevent further loss and is contacting Moreton Cullimore's. It was agreed to ask Peter Savage to quote for collecting the clay and filling the hole. The Clerk was requested to contact the landowner to see if they will pay for or contribute to the cost of the work as riparian owners.

**Action:**

**80/15 Chairman's Report – See Finance Report**

**81/15 Community Issues & Projects**

**81.1/15 Traffic and Highways**

**Email from Cllr Hicks re Nailsworth and Lawrence Roads**

Noted

**Email from Irene Viveash**

Noted.

**Drains at the Bottom of Tetbury Hill –** have now been cleared.

**Parking Point Road / High Street Junction –** See Item 72/15

**Farm Equipment at Greenway Head –** unable to take any action.

**81.2/15 Community Issues**

**Feedback from the Annual Village Meeting – 6 June 2015**

It was acknowledged that it was reasonably well attended and that the Awards for Volunteer of the Year were well received with a number of people saying that it was good to award all of the nominees. Cllr Parsons thanked the Council for his unexpected award.

**Visitor Map**

Defer to the September Meeting

**Post Code Map**

In hand. Defer to the September Meeting

**Updates from Project Manager**

**Water Pumps –** schedule of conditions in hand.

**Defibrillator –** sign is now on the street lamp post and another on the Village Hall notice board.

**Memorial Hall**

- Now taking bookings for 2016
- School is continuing to be re-imbursed for small works by the Treasurer of the old Committee.
- Brian Jarvis is working through his maintenance list.
- Acoustic Panels – waiting for quotes
- Heating is proving to be a challenge. A range of solutions are being investigated

- including an air source heat pump
- Projection – Existing screen is adequate for the time being and taken out of the quotations. Investigating further quotes to include sound.
- Include Future Management as a discussion item for the next meeting

**Broadband - RESOLUTION 28/15**

It was unanimously resolved to take up the quotation with Plusnet as attached.

**Stone Stiles and Pillar boxes** – Cllr Mrs Parsons presented the map on which she had marked all the locations she is aware of. The Clerk will make a digital record. A full report on the Pillar Boxes can be seen on the Village website: [http://www.avening-pc.gov.uk/index.htm\\_files/HER%20Expansion%20%20WW2%20Defences%20of%20Avening.pdf](http://www.avening-pc.gov.uk/index.htm_files/HER%20Expansion%20%20WW2%20Defences%20of%20Avening.pdf)

**Action:** [http://www.avening-pc.gov.uk/index.htm\\_files/HER%20Expansion%20%20WW2%20Defences%20of%20Avening.pdf](http://www.avening-pc.gov.uk/index.htm_files/HER%20Expansion%20%20WW2%20Defences%20of%20Avening.pdf)

**Action:** **APFA** – It was agreed to request a copy of the current Safety Report.

**82/15 Finance**

**82.1/15 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Status up to 31 May 2015**

Noted

**82.2/15 Bills For Payment (as detailed on Schedule)**

**RESOLUTION 29/15**

Cllr Slater declared an interest in the bill from Slater 4 Ltd.

It was unanimously resolved to pay the Bills as detailed on the Finance report.

**82.3/15 Donation Request from Sue Ryder**

**RESOLUTION 30/15**

It was unanimously resolved to make a donation of £25.00

**83/15 Planning**

**83.1/15 To Consider Response to New Planning Applications**

None

**83.2/15 To Note Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting**

None

**83.3/15 To Receive Decision Notices**

None

**83.4/15 To Consider Planning Correspondence**

None

**83.5/15 To Receive Tree Works Notifications**

**15/02338/TCONR 51 High Street Avening Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8NF**

Copper Beech (T1): remove one of the two co-dominant stems in order to prevent a future failure and consequential damage to the house. Tree is approximately 20m tall and lies 12m to the west of our house

**15/02339/TCONR Holy Cross Church Church Street Avening Gloucestershire**

(T1) Ash - reduce crown in order to let more light in to garden. Height reduced from approx. 22m by 6m to 16m. Radius reduced from approximately 9m by 3m to 6m. . (T2) Holly - fell as very poor specimen and negligible amenity value

**83.6/15 To Consider Any Other Urgent Planning Applications or Correspondence Received Since Publication of the Agenda**

**15/02050/FUL Brandhouse Farm, West End, Avening, Tetbury Gloucestershire**

Full Application for Various Amendments to permission 13/04939/FUL at Brandhouse Farm West End Avening Tetbury Gloucestershire  
No Objections.

**84/15 Correspondence**

**GWT – My Wild Space Grant Funding**

Noted

**CDC - Armed Forces Community Covenant**

Noted

**National Rural Crime Survey** <http://www.nationalruralcrimenetwork.net/>

Noted

**To Consider Any Correspondence Received Since Publication of the Agenda**

**Email from Cllr Conway – Request from School re Access Road**

Members agreed that this would not be a practical option as closure of the road would prevent School Staff from parking their cars and prevent residents from accessing their

properties.

**85/15**

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thursday, 16 JULY 2015 in Avening Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm. All Are Welcome**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 21:20