Minutes of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING of Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council

Held 1st September 2022 at 7:30pm @ Parish Office, 6 Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley.

Item		Action By
	Public Open Session 0 Attendance	
753	Attendance & Apologies Cllr Simon Meaden (Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee) Cllr James Reed (Chairman of the Parish Council) Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Stuart McLean	
	Also in Attendance Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)	
	Apologies Cllr Maureen New Cllr Dave Adams Cllr Gino Salvia	
754	Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation	
	None	
	The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:	
	Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall 1st Woodcutt Scouts Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Item Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust & Skate-park Project Cllr Maureen New – Village Hall TPO Trees Cllr Gino Salvia – Community Speed-watch Cllr Simon Meaden- 1st Woodcutt Scouts	
755	Matters arising from the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 4 th August 2022.	
	None.	
756	Play Area Matters & Weekly Inspection Report	
	The weekly on-sight inspections continue. All play equipment remains in good order other than a missing plank from the floor of the main climbing frame. It has the potential to cause harm and needs to be repaired urgently. Clerk to contact Cllr Adams to check status of repairs.	Clerk
	A letter from a member of the public also reported the play equipment defect. Clerk sent thanks.	
	Local contractor is expected to complete perimeter fence palling repairs and the removal of overgrown vegetation.	

757	Sports Association Matters	
	The Penny Tap & Sports Association continue the search for suitable cleaning services for the Sports Pavilion.	
	The Clerk circulated the following draft documents prior to the meeting:	
	 Terms of Use - Individual Hirers Cleaning & closing down schedule Terms of Use - Lease Holder Cleaning & closing down schedule Terms of Use - Sports Clubs Cleaning & closing down schedule Terms of Use - Sports Association Cleaning & closing down schedule 	
	Cllr Turner to send amendments to the Clerk.	
	Members discussed a large Sports Pavilion electricity bill received for the period between Feb 22 – May 2022. Despite regularly advising SSE of meter readings they failed to use them. After the installation of the smart reader the adjustment resulted in a higher than usual cost.	
	Members continued to discuss alternative energy saving ideas including the benefits of heat pumps and the installation of solar panels. Members agreed to carry out further research into both concepts by talking to locally based heating contractor and investigating the purchase of solar panels.	JR/SM
	Members agreed to consult with Cllr Adams as he previously shared concerns about the amount of electricity heat pumps use.	
758	Sports Facilities Matters & Recreation Ground	
	It was positive to see new mobile cricket nets in situ on the cricket pitch – the new Club has just completed its first season. The Clerk to establish a date to begin reorganising storage facilities in the green shed.	DA / Clerk
759	Correspondence	
	Parish Office bookings confirmed for 1 st Woodcutts Group Training 12 th , 19 th ,26 th Sept 10 th , 17 th , 31 st October, 14 th ,21 st , 28 th Nov & 12 th December. Community booking – No charge.	
	The CCIO are keen to prepare for the cost of living crisis by having access to the PC office during the week as a warm hub to meet. Members agreed to notify Dorset Council of our need to improve energy efficiency in the Parish Office in terms of improved insulation and storage heater upgrade. Clerk to contact Dorset Council.	Clerk
	Sustainable Handley have re-established following Covid times. They are beginning to think about the cost of living crisis ahead and ideas to support those most vulnerable. The additional use of food banks requiring a rota of volunteers. Matters to be discussed further.	
	The waste bins belonging to number 1,2,3 The Cross (High Street crossroads) are often left untidily in the street after waste collection causing an obstruction. Clerk to notify DWP.	Clerk
	Replacement metal bird repellent spikes are available to fit, Clerk to contact Cllr Adams.	Clerk

760 **Communication Report** Matters agreed to be included in this month's communication report: A fingerpost refurbishment update Reminder to parents, carers and children to leave taped off equipment until repairs have been made. Renewable energy car charging grant available at DC – Village Hall identified as a potential location. The free hire of the Parish Council office to Community Groups. Scouts, Allotments, Carers group and Sustainable Handley. 761 **Financial Matters & Expenditure** The RFO circulated to members prior to the meeting a report on finances to 1st September 2022. Bank Reconciliation for signing; List of Receipts & Payments for scrutiny; members were unable to sign the copy of Bank Statements this month as they had not arrived. Members approved unanimously the RFO Receipts & Payments Report. An account application submission has been made by Cllr Taylor to Unity Trust Bank, members Clerk JR, SM, AT signed the application. Clerk to contact Cllr M New.

Meeting Closed 8.30pm

These minutes are to be signed by the Chairman after approval at the next Full meeting of the Parish Council.

Signed;	29 th	September	2022
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Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council Receipts & Payments – 1st September 2022.

Date Description Receipts payment

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01/09/2022	Dorset Council Rent	so		484.00
04/08/2022	Cancelled cheque	1517		- 798.00
01/09/2022	Door Doctors	1525		798.00
01/09/2022	C Nicholson (August Salary Payment)	1526		948.96
01/09/2022	C Nicholson(Reimbursement payment metal bird repellent)	1527		21.99
01/09/2022	HMRC (NIC Contributions)	1528		175.77
01/09/2022	Bradley Kilshaw (General Maintenance)	1529		80.00
01/09/2022	Penny Mansergh (Reimbursment Community Laminating)	1530		14.47
01/09/2022	TEEC Limited (Hosting Cost)	1531		144.00
	September Total		-	1,869.19

1 st Signature	2 nd Signature		
Scrutineer	Date		