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

Held 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7:30pm @ Parish Office, 6 Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley.

Item		Action By
	(1) Public Open Session  One member of the public present raised concerns over the irregular collection of household garden waste by Dorset Waste Partnership over the past two months. A 'paid for' service particularly for members of the community who have no other means to dispose of this type of waste was unacceptable.  Parish Council response: Clerk to contact DWP to address and try to resolve.  A request to repair the oak bench (originally donated by the WI) situated at the war memorial – as it is currently rotting from the base of the legs.  Parish Council response: The PC appreciated the observations and agreed to assess the work required.	Clerk
514	Attendance & Apologies Cllr Simon Meaden (Chairman of Finance & General Purposes Committee) Cllr James Reed (Chairman of the Parish Council) Cllr Dave Adams Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Stuart McLean Cllr Maureen New  Also in Attendance Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)  Apologies Cllr Gino Salvia	
515	Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation  The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:  Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Item Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust Cllr Maureen New – Village Hall Trees & a pecuniary interest (Sports Association).  Cllr Gino Salvia – Community Speed-watch	
516	Matters arising from the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2021.  Carpet contractor has been to inspect the recently laid flooring in the main room of the Sports Pavilion which has started to lift and fray further action to be confirmed.	

	Clerk to contact local Painter & Decorators to invite quotes to paint the outside of the Sports Pavilion.	
		Clerk
	Clerk to chase Clock Restorer Symon Boys (FBHI) for an update on repairs to the memorial clock.	Clerk
	No response to date from the Queens Canopy application to 'Plant a tree or hedge for the Jubilee'.	
	Cllr Turner to resume discussion with Jenny Gordon regarding Tetra Pack waste collection.	АТ
517	Play Area Matters.	
	Cllr Mclean continued to inspect the equipment on a weekly basis with no matters to report – Weekly inspections will move to monthly basis as from 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2021.	
518	Sports Association Matters	
	The final draft images of the proposed recreation ground sign were circulated to all members present. The final designs were approved however members decided to delay the decision over positioning until a later date.	
	The Sports Association have held a £2,000.00 legacy (subject to approval from the family Executor) members <b>resolved unanimously</b> to use the fund for this initiative.	
	On behalf of the Sports Association members of the PC <b>resolved unanimously</b> expenditure of £2,000.00 + vat to purchase and install new signage.	
	Clerk to confirm order in due course.	Clerk
	Location of the new Sign  Members agreed to arrange a site visit on the completion of the Village Hall pond clearance work in order to establish the best location to install the proposed sign.	
519	Sports Facilities Matters & Recreation Ground	
	Members reviewed the communities' general response to the recent coppicing of the large recreation ground hedge. Due to large gaps due to more trees than anticipated, exposed the fragility of the boundary. It was concluded that attempting 'to manage' the area was the correct long term decision.	
	Members focussed on the importance of 'communication' and agreed that it would be prudent to post Council aspirations, decisions and activities regularly on the website, noticeboards and the Downsman publication.	AT/AII
	Members agreed that temporary stock fencing to be installed as soon as possible. A less rudimentary fencing to be installed at the Skate-board play area. SM to contact fencing contractor.	SM
	Members <b>resolved unanimously</b> expenditure of £200.00 for sowing a combination of grass and flower seeds allowing an opportunity to involve a local volunteer working party.	
	Members <b>resolved unanimously</b> to instruct Sixpenny Handley Forge to purchase and install a galvanised frame cladded and with a lockable door and expenditure of £1512.48+vat.	

520	Allotment Association Matters	
	Members noted the outcome of Dorset Council's Licence fee review – fees will increase from £735.00 to £785.00 effective from 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2022.	
	The Clerk confirmed a good response received from the allotment holders survey. The feedback to be collated and shared with the Chairman of the Association and members of the PC in order to achieve a management plan going forward.	Clerk
	Clerk to contact Dorset Council Assets & Property Department to review current lease agreement with the emphasis on the 'need to grow your own produce' and the necessity for green houses.	Clerk
521	Correspondence	
	A commemorative tree kindly donated by Mrs D Broadway has been planted by Nick Lawrie in the far right corner of the Recreation Ground (Cricket pitch side). It has been carefully planted with protective tree stakes.	
	Fingerposts refurbishment is progressing – once all three locations are complete Clerk to apply for previously agreed grants.	
	Cllr Meaden (SM) attended a meeting held with Police Commissioner David Sedgewick to discuss speeding problem at Cashmoor. Locals would like to see the reinstatement of 50mph speed limit. Clerk to liaise with Cllr Brown regarding Speed Indicator Device restrictions.	Clerk
	Future events:	
	Father Christmas Steam Engine confirmed 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 in combining St Mary's carol service on the cricket pitch afterwards.	
522	Financial Matters & Expenditure	
	Confirmation of monies received from Dorset Council in respect of CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy):	
	3/18/1211/Ful 28 High Street £1891.56 3/18/2082/Ful St Mary's Close £8375.65 3/18/2312/Ful 4 Littlefield Lane £118.69	
	Total £10,385.90	
	Members discussed the general rules for the use of CIL monies and agreed to have further discussion regarding suitable infrastructure projects.	

Due to continued poor service from the Nat West Bank our current banking supplier Cllr Taylor prior to the meeting has sent web links to members of the council for their consideration.

https://cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Changes-to-parish-council-banking-arrangements.pdf (a report prepared for another council proposing a switch to Unity Trust Bank).

https://www.unity.co.uk/business-current-accounts/ is the link to the Unity Trust Bank website.

Lloyds Bank would fulfil our needs but they are not accepting bank account switches for business accounts at present.

Members to consider this proposal prior to the next Council meeting.

ΑII

The RFO circulated to members prior to the meeting a report on finances to 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Bank Reconciliation for signing; List of Receipts & Payments for scrutiny; Copy of Bank Statements for signing.

Members approved unanimously the RFO Receipts & Payments Report.

Members reviewed Half Year Spend against Budget.

Members prepared the Budget for 2022/23.

Meeting Closed 8.59pm

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

## Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council Receipts & Payments – 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Date Description Receipts payment

04/11/2021	EDDC Rent	SO		484.00
04/11/2021	C Nicholson (October Salary Payment)	2988		902.21
04/11/2021	Marshisaacs Ltd (x2 Boiler services)	2989		240.00
04/11/2021	Simon Parker Common Road Allotments Mowing	2990		30.00
04/11/2021	Will Stokes 2nd Quarter Grass Cutting	2991		387.50
04/11/2021	HMRC (Nat Ins Contributions)	2992		117.39
04/11/2021	Royal British Legion (Poppy Wreath)	2993		25.00
04/11/2021	2nd Part Precept	Credit	28,725.00	
04/11/2021	Office Hire (seated exercise)	Credit	50.00	
04/11/2021	Business Interest	Credit	0.62	
	November Total		28,775.62	2,186.10

1 <sup>st</sup> Signature	.2 <sup>nd</sup> Signature
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