

**Minutes of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held 7th July 2022 at 7:30pm @ Parish Office, 6 Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley.**

Item		Action By
	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Open Session</p> <p>2 members of the Sixpenny Handley Cricket Club attended the open session to discuss item 5 on the agenda. The Chairman and Treasurer introduced themselves and outlined the new formation of the club along with the expressed goal to be transparent and to understand the association with the Parish Council going forward.</p> <p>Members of the Council were informed of the Club's new structure, confirmation of public liability insurance, plans to promote ECB All Stars U8 Youth involvement along with strong links with the local Scouting community and their aspiration to improve the contents of the Club's kit.</p> <p>The following items were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cricket club requested a reduction in the annual fees of £500.00 in the 2022-23 season due to the expense of re-establishing the new Club• Season 2023-24 the expectation for next year's annual fees.• Clarity of responsibility for the maintenance of the grass cricket square/ artificial wicket and the cutting of the outfield.• The intention to purchase and install a boundary perimeter fence – the area between the green shed corner along the boundary line adjacent to the field. Without a method of catching cricket balls many are being lost which is expensive and frustrating during match time.• Where should the income raised from sub-letting the facilities go either to the Sports Association or Cricket Club? <p>Members thanked the cricket representatives for attending the meeting and for the commitment they have shown in resurrecting the Cricket Club.</p>	
717	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr Simon Meaden (Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee) Cllr James Reed (Chairman of the Parish Council) Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Dave Adams Cllr Maureen New Cllr Stuart McLean</p> <p>Also in Attendance Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Gino Salvia</p>	

718	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 1 st 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- 1 st Woodcutt Scouts	
719	Matters arising from the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 9th June 2022. The Sports Pavilion main door to be assessed by two people to establish replacement parts along with broken window frame. Cllr Adams & Cllr Reed. Cllr Turner continues to investigate BT Broadband installation at the Sports Pavilion. Recent submission of a Heritage Fund Grant requires further work. Clerk & Cllr Meaden to amend the original application.	DA/JR SM/Clerk
720	Play Area Matters The weekly on sight inspections were completed by Cllr McLean with no items to report. The Elite Playground Inspection report identified low risk items. Clerk to contact local contractor to quote for repairs and replacement of the missing fence palings including painting. Cllr Adams to install the bird repellent strips on the top of the play equipment in an effort to eradicate the problem. The household garden waste bin has been emptied by DWP and subsequently removed from the site by Cllr Adams.	Clerk DA
721	Sports Association Matters No Cleaners report this month. Clerk ordered cleaning products; toilet rolls toilet cleaner. Members discussed an incident following a social event recently held at the Pavilion which resulted in the premises being left unsatisfactory state. Members agreed to reissue terms and conditions for the users of the facilities including clubs. Cllr McLean circulated the draft Sports Association Constitution to all members prior to the meeting. The document was reviewed by members present with only minor amendments. Document to be approved at the next FPC meeting. Members expressed thanks to Cllr McLean.	Clerk

	<p>Members continued to discuss the key issues raised by sixpenny Handley Cricket Club's Committee members and agreed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In recognition of this being a restart year – all fees (£500.00) are waived for the 2022-23 season. • Hire charges of £500.00 will be payable for the season 2023-24 (in line with the other Clubs) payable in x2 tranches of £250.00 April 23/ September 23. • The grass cricket square will be the sole responsibility of the Cricket Club along with the upkeep of the artificial wicket and practise area. (with access to Bowls Club owned sweeper and anti-moss solution). • The PC are keen to support the Cricket Club by contributing towards the installation of a perimeter boundary fence. The Club is encouraged to approach the Council when there are options to discuss. • Any opportunities the Cricket Club have to sub-let the facilities-monies are expected go directly into the Cricket Club funds. <p>The new Ride on Mower ordered from ABA Groundworks has been delayed due to lack of availability of replacement parts. The new machine will support the Cricket Club in maintaining a good quality playing surface.</p>	
<p>722</p>	<p>Sports Facilities Matters & Recreation Ground</p> <p>Clerk to contact local contractor to complete the Recreation Ground fencing (top corner adjacent to Judd boundary).</p> <p>The previously approved General Maintenance contract to be amended to include the immediate entrance point in front of Saddlers and to exclude the maintenance Village Hall Pond area. Clerk to invite local contractor B Kilshaw to quote for the new contract.</p> <p>Plans for bi-annual maintenance of the Village Hall pond area to be considered at a later date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members unanimously approved the expenditure of £150.00 for the purchase of a wild species of daffodils to be planted in the Village Hall pond area. The bulbs will need to be planted in October. Clerk to confirm with Mrs C Reynolds. <p>Members discussed future plans to improve storage facilities for the Clubs and Community Groups including a replacement container and the potential to store more in the green shed. Cllr Mclean suggested the installation of a camera inside the Green Shed. Members agreed to wait until WIFI availability and continue to monitor the 'marketplace' for available containers.</p> <p>Cllr Adams confirmed that the broken pavilion sliding window frame can be fixed and that he would be happy to complete the work.</p> <p>Cllr Adams & Cllr Reed will further investigate the pavilion main door hoping to purchase the self-closing parts.</p> <p>Members noted that the memorial beech tree had required heavy watering following a spell of dry weather Cllr Adams & Cllr New continue to provide extra water.</p> <p>The hedge saplings planted earlier in the year along the Saddlers boundary (in parts) has failed to take, the problem area is protected by large trees and rainwater fails to permeate the ground. Members to monitor the situation.</p>	<p>Clerk/SM</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>DA</p> <p>JR/DA</p>

723	Correspondence Members noted the addition of water pipes added to the water outlet at the Common Road allotment. Concerns were raised regarding the potential increase in water bills. Excessive bills over £50.00 will be met by the allotment holders. Clerk to submit additional information for the hedge-laying project to the Chase & Chalke Heritage Fund. The damaged fingerpost located at the First School has been retrieved by Cllr McLean and is currently undergoing refurbishment. Members noted the request for the Jubilee bunting to be removed. The 'Ride on Mower' agreement between the PCC and the Parish Council has been dissolved with the Parish Council agreeing to pay 50% of the current value. Cllr Meaden (who in the past few years has organised the Father Christmas Steam Engine) suggested the PC organise a fundraising 'Fun Sponsored Santa Walk'. In order to raise funds for the Stars Appeal and other local projects invite people to dress as Father Christmas and follow the steam engine in a long festive procession ending up at the Recreation Ground.	Clerk SM/Clerk
724	Communication Report Cllr Turner circulated this month's communication items to members – continue to monitor effectiveness. No more additional matters to communicate.	
725	Financial Matters & Expenditure Members reviewed 1 st Quarter spend against the budget. The RFO circulated to members prior to the meeting a report on finances to 7 th July 2022. Bank Reconciliation for signing; List of Receipts & Payments for scrutiny; Copy of Bank Statements for signing. Members approved unanimously the RFO Receipts & Payments Report.	

Meeting Closed 9.12 pm

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

Signed;..... 25th August 2022

Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council

Receipts & Payments – 7th July 2022.

Date	Description		Receipts	payment
07/07/2022	Dorset Council Rent	SO		484.00
07/07/2022	C Nicholson (June Salary Payment)	3065		964.75
07/07/2022	Alfie Burt (Brushy Bush Allotments –repair fencing)	3066		200.00
07/07/2022	Elite Playground Inspection	3067		52.80
07/07/2022	Harris & Sons (reinstallation of VH soakaways)	3068		1860.00
07/07/2022	Peter Walker (Annual internal Audit & EOY)	3069		300.00
07/07/2022	St Mary's Church (shared ROM ownership buy out)	3070		800.00
07/07/2022	C Nicholson (reimbursement salt tablets & bird repellent)	1511		37.42
07/07/2022	HMRC (Nat Ins)	1512		114.52
07/07/2022	P Mansergh (Laminator pockets) cancelled cheque	2998		-24.39
07/07/2022	P Mansergh Reissued cheque	1513		24.39
08/06/2022	Office hire (seated exercise)	Credit	70.00	
14/06/2022	VAT Reclaim	Credit	5634.06	
31/05/2022	Business Reserve Interest	Credit	6.60	
13/06/2022	Eventbrite (CCIO income paid into incorrect account)	Credit	1402.08	
	July Total		7,112.74	4,813.49

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