

**Minutes of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING of  
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council  
Held 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023 at 7:30pm @ Parish Office, 6 Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley.**

Item		Action By
	<p><b>Public Open Session</b> <b>0 Attendance</b></p>	
<p><b>1031</b></p>	<p><b>Attendance &amp; Apologies</b> Cllr Simon Meaden (Chairman of the Finance &amp; General Purposes Committee) Cllr James Reed (Chairman of the Parish Council) Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Stuart McLean Cllr Dave Adams</p> <p><b>Also in Attendance</b> Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p><b>Apologies</b> Cllr Colin Taylor</p>	
<p><b>1032</b></p>	<p><b>Declarations of Interest &amp; Grants for Dispensation</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><b>The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:</b></p> <p>Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall &amp; SH Village Hall 1<sup>st</sup> Woodcutt Scouts, CCIO Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust &amp; Item Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust &amp; Skate-park Project Cllr Simon Meaden- 1<sup>st</sup> Woodcutt Scouts</p>	
<p><b>1033</b></p>	<p><b>Matters arising from the last F&amp;GP Parish Council Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023.</b></p> <p>A meeting between Cllrs Turner &amp; Brown and the Rural Police held in the Parish Office on the 11/8/23 to discuss recent antisocial behaviour in the village and the PC's general concerns regarding 101 incident reporting system.</p> <p>The Rural Police Team confirmed they are introducing an initiative when a confirmed perpetrator is placed 'under observation' (a three stage system that escalates as and when individuals breach rules). The idea is to educate and highlight when a youth is 'going down the wrong path'.</p> <p>Raising 101 tickets – due to the delay in the current reporting system and in conjunction with the standard 101 reporting which must continue. We have been granted permission to email the same incidents directly to the Rural Team which allows them an opportunity to react in a timely manner instead of the 2-week lag. The meeting was very positive.</p>	

<p><b>1034</b></p>	<p><b>Play Area Matters &amp; Reports</b></p> <p>The weekly on-sight play area inspections are being carried out during the Spring &amp; Summer months by Cllr McLean – play equipment in general remains in good order with exception of a missing timber from a bench. Matter to be reported on the 101 system as petty vandalism is becoming a problem. Cllr Adams volunteered to source replacement timber to repair the bench.</p> <p>Elite’s Quarterly Play Ground Report to review next month.</p>	<p><b>DA</b></p>
<p><b>1035</b></p>	<p><b>Sports Association Matters</b></p> <p>The Clerk contacted the Cricket Club Treasurer regarding outstanding annual fees for 2023/24.</p> <p>The Club’s response raised concerns about the poor season regarding the number of fixtures that had taken place. Unfortunately, it has been difficult to raise sufficient funds to pay the second tranche of annual fees.</p> <p>Members noted the increased amount of water use-age needed to maintain the natural wicket – it was agreed that utilising the artificial wicket would reduce the labour intense pitch preparation and cost of pitch maintenance.</p> <p>Clerk to contact the club to invite members to attend a PC meeting to discuss ways of working together, fund raising ideas and grant application opportunities.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<p><b>1036</b></p>	<p><b>Sports Facilities Matters &amp; Recreation Ground</b></p> <p>Clerk to ask S Wallworth Electrical Services to contact Cllr Adams (DA) in order to check available space on the consumer unit.</p> <p>Cllr McLean reported the Sports Pavilion’s utility use age which identified the oil tank is a quarter full. Clerk to order 1000 litres.</p> <p>Cllr Turner tested the Wi Fi router establishing no updates are required. The siting of an external antennae may be a solution if lack of signal continues to cause a problem. AT to identify extra cost.</p> <p>New shelving in the green shed installed by Cllr Adams has been welcomed by the Sixpenny Session Team – green container located behind the green shed is surplus to requirements and can be removed.</p> <p>Letter received from residents of Pantiles requesting maintenance works including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removal of thick foliage that is growing over the relatively new laid hedge adjacent to Saddlers property.</li> <li>• The area directly behind the Sports Pavilion overgrown with vegetation.</li> <li>• Cutting back/removal of foliage around the football banking hedgerow.</li> </ul> <p><i>Clerk to obtain a quote from local contractor.</i></p> <p>Seven-side defibrillator to be delivered week commencing 7/8/23 – Clerk to contact Local electrical contractor to fit the heated cabinet externally onto the green shed.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>AT</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>



	<p>Letter received from residents of Pantiles 21/7/23 – Noted.</p> <p>Email from St Mary’s confirming relocation of the flagpole – Noted.</p> <p>Village Hall overflow car park request for charity event to be held on 30/9/23 - granted.</p> <p>Citizen Advice Bus visiting the Crossroads Café Hub on 9/8/23 &amp; 23/8/23 – Noted.</p>	
<b>1040</b>	<p><b>Financial Matters &amp; Expenditure</b></p> <p>The RFO circulated to members prior to the meeting a report on finances to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023. Bank Reconciliation for signing; List of Receipts &amp; Payments for scrutiny.</p> <p>Unitary Trust Bank’s FSCS annual review 2023- Clerk completed eligibility for compensation scheme.</p> <p>Unitary Trust Bank acknowledged completed mandate to correct 2<sup>nd</sup> signatory issue.</p> <p>Clerk to administrate payments, 1<sup>st</sup> Scrutineer Cllr S Meaden, 1<sup>st</sup> Cllr C Taylor &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr A Turner to authorise payments.</p>	

Meeting Closed 8.52pm

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

**Signed;..... 24<sup>th</sup> August 2023**



