

**Minutes of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held 7th March 2024 at 7:30pm @ Parish Office, 6 Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley.**

Item		Action By
	<p>Public Open Session 0 attendance</p>	
<p>1221</p>	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr James Reed (Chairman of the Parish Council) Cllr Simon Meaden (Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee) Cllr Dave Adams Cllr Andy Turner Cllr Colin Taylor Cllr David Chick</p> <p>Also in Attendance Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr Stuart McLean</p>	
<p>1222</p>	<p>Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation</p> <p>None.</p> <p>The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:</p> <p>Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall 1st Woodcutt Scouts, CCIO Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Item Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust & Skate-park Project Cllr Simon Meaden- 1st Woodcutt Scouts</p>	
<p>1223</p>	<p>Matters arising from the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 1st February 2024.</p> <p>No matters arising.</p>	
<p>1224</p>	<p>Play Area Matters & Reports</p> <p>The monthly on-sight inspection was completed by Cllr McLean observing that the central plank to the bench has been repaired and the missing palings have been replaced.</p> <p>Members approved expenditure for the purchase of a replacement galvanised 12ft gate.</p>	<p>DC</p>

<p>1225</p>	<p>Village Hall Update</p> <p>The PC & Village Hall exchanged building and contents insurance certificates.</p> <p>Members acknowledged a request from the VH Chairman for an update on the Solar panels handover and the current status of the plans for the emergency generator. Cllr Turner & Mereweather are due to meet shortly to discuss the proposed generator specification.</p> <p>The VH Committee sent thanks to the Parish Council for the recent financial support received for covering the cost of the maintenance to the halls boilers.</p> <p>The VH guttering on the bank side remains full of debris – Cllr Adams (RA) and Cllr Turner to liaise with Paul Styles to arrange a scaffold tower to enable the removal of vegetation. The adjacent guttering had previously been cleared by Cllr Meaden as it was accessible by a vehicle.</p>	<p>AT/RA</p>
<p>1226</p>	<p>Sports Association Matters</p> <p>Handley Sports Football Manager advised the Council of the deterioration of the goal posts, they are old and need to be replaced.</p> <p>With insufficient Sports Association funds available to support the purchase of new posts the Clerk will work with the Football Club and consider applying for a FA grant for equipment.</p> <p>The Manager of the Shaftesbury Youth Football team continues to regularly hire the football facilities on a Sunday morning. He currently pays £20.00 per match to use the cricket pitch area as it's not a full size pitch. The team are considering moving away from the Shaftesbury Team to join Handley Sports.</p> <p>The Cricket Club have confirmed x3 match fixtures for external hire of the cricket facilities in the Spring.</p>	
<p>1227</p>	<p>Sports Facilities Matters & Recreation Ground</p> <p>A ventilation report completed by Extracair Installations Limited recommended the following intervention:</p> <p>Cellar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a temperature controlled environment it is recommended <u>not</u> to ventilate this area. • Maximise any insulation on the walls where possible. • Always use a dehumidifier. <p>Changing Rooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace the existing flexible duct in the roof void and replace with spiral duct and fittings. • Replace the circular ventilation grilles with larger square grilles. • Continue ductwork off the existing fan which currently has no outlet. 	

	<p>The quote received from Extracair for £954.00 to implement these improvements. Members continue to consider and no decision was made to proceed.</p> <p>Cllr Adams informed members that a large amount of water droplets and the beginning of mould were found on the ceiling in the cellar. It was noted that the dehumidifier was not switched on and therefore may have led to this problem. Cllr Meaden will investigate the problem.</p> <p>Members agreed to engage the services of local contractor to carry out an energy efficiency assessment to support future decision making. Clerk to contact Marsh Plumbing.</p> <p>Recreation Mower</p> <p>The John Deere mower needed a replacement battery as it has failed on several occasion recently.</p> <p>Members approved a local Contractor to carry out a service (to include assessment of blades and sole plates). The estimated cost of service with local Contractor is £300/£400 with additional expense for blade sharpening.</p> <p>Solar Panel System</p> <p>Clerk to contact DES to request an extra module to enable energy export information.</p> <p>Skate-park Update – Cllr Turner</p> <p>A meeting with Maverick (Poole based company) and a further 2 companies who are also ready to design solutions for the proposed Skate-park. The tender period deadline is next week and the evaluation process will commence to decide who the project will partner with and go onto the next stage.</p> <p>Cllr Turner described Maverick’s proposal for the repositioning of the fencing, the soakaway tank to drain water, the relocation of the shelter and the change of access to the playground.</p> <p>Clerk to draft a letter confirming the Parish Council’s approval to use the extra land for the purposes of a larger new Skate-park.</p> <p>Football Boundary Fencing</p> <p>The wooden fence continues to deteriorate and in places is leaning over. As an interim, Cllr Turner will supply safety tape to warn residents of these areas. Members discussed various types of replacement fencing whilst not reaching a conclusion agreed to do further individual research.</p>	<p>SM</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk/All</p>
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1228	To review Asset Register Members reviewed, amended and approved the Asset Register 2023/24.	
1229	Matters to Report & Correspondence Recent tree works at Garston Wood have resulted felled trees being left paths in an untidy and inaccessible state. Clerk to contact RSPB to ask for more information for the public maintenance plans in the future.	
1230	Financial Matters & Expenditure The RFO circulated to members prior to the meeting a report on finances to 7 th March 2024. Bank Reconciliation for signing; List of Receipts & Payments for scrutiny. Members confirmed End of Year Reserves 2023-24. Clerk to administrate payments, 1 st Scrutineer Cllr S Meaden 1 st Cllr A Turner & 2 nd Cllr C Taylor to authorise payments.	

Meeting Closed 9.15pm

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

Signed;.....

21st March 2024

Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council

Payments – 7th March 2024

Date	Description	Payment	
08/02/2024	Joy Services (Village Hall boiler services)	On-line	1,207.37
07/03/2024	Dorset Council Rent	SO	484.00
07/03/2024	(February Salary Payment)	On-line	1,002.10
07/03/2024	C Nicholson Smarty Card Reimbursement	On-line	20.00
07/03/2024	Nest Pension contributions	DD	73.06
07/03/2024	L Tuckey (x7cleaning Parish Office)	On-line	52.50
07/03/2024	D MacLeod x7 Litter-pick/bins)	On-line	52.50
07/03/2024	A G Edwards (replacement recreation ground post)	On-line	72.00
07/03/2024	Complete Fire Services (Sports Pavilion & Bowls)	On-line	237.00
07/03/2024	Mr A Burt (4th quarter grass cutting)	On-line	1,000.00
07/03/2024	Dorset Council (supply & install x6 SID solar panels)	On-line	1,620.00
07/03/2024	S Wallworth Electrical Services (Installation of a new defib @ Woodcutts	On-line	144.00
07/03/2024	Cheap Printing Dorset (No Boots Signage)	On-line	55.20
07/03/2024	D MacLeod (unbanked cheque 22/23 cleans)	On-line	105.00
07/03/2024	Mrs Reynolds (unbanked cheque 22/23 - bulbs)	On-line	78.00
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	March Total		6,202.73

Payments made after F&GP1/2/24

To be submitted by the Clerk on Friday 8th March 2024.

Scrutineer – Cllr S Meaden

1st On-line authorisation Cllr Turner 2nd On-line authorisation Cllr Taylor

Scrutineer.....Date.....