



Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
on Tuesday 20th October 2020 at 19:00 via zoom

Present:

Pauline Glew (Vice-Chairman)(PG). David Caney (DC). Roy Chapman (RC). Sally Sidgwick (SS). Beverley Coupar (BC). Jackie Saul-Hunt (JSH)

Parish and District Cllr. Jonathan Vine-Hall (Chairman of the Parish Council) (JVH). Mrs Jackie Scarff (JS) (Clerk/RFO)
County and District Cllr Carl Maynard (CM) part time. There were 0 members of the public

Item	Agenda Item (C20.)	
46	Apologies received and accepted from: Cllr A Walters & P Anson	
47.	To receive questions from members on reports from the District and County Councillors There were no reports available this month.	
48.	Interests in accordance with 2012 Code of Conduct To receive councillors' declarations of interest regarding matters on the agenda and consider any written requests for dispensation as a result. Any changes to register of interests should be notified. DC declared a pecuniary interest in the discussion on the sports pavilion as a member of the CIC who have been investigating leasing the Sports Pavilion from the Parish Council.	
49.	Public participation session re matters on the Agenda at the Chairman's discretion. There were no members of the public.	
50.	To consider for approval the minutes of the full council meeting 15th September 2020 RESOLVED: That the Chairman is authorised to sign the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting 15 th September 2020 as a true record of the meeting.	
51.	If the committee wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed: 'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.' There were no requirements to pass this resolution.	
52.	Sedlescombe Sports Pavilion and associated grounds. To receive proposed plan and agree any actions required. The clerk explained that alternatives to the current Tenancy at Will for the footballers using the Sports Pavilion had been looked at. In addition, feedback from the CIC and the Football club had highlighted that the perceived repair work required was a barrier to progressing with any leasing arrangements. Three quotes had been received and circulated for work to the decking outside the pavilion. Other remedial work had been identified for repair. To move forward from the current position the clerk explained a proposal to charge for hire of the field and pavilion. This could be done on a season by season basis with a weekly charge of £200 per weekend. The Croqueteers use the grounds from March to October on 3 weekdays and the Parish Council would propose to charge the Croqueteers separately. JVH explained the history of the playing field and Sports Association and associated lease which they had to retire. He also explained that there is interest from cricket clubs to come and use the cricket pitch. The Parish Council now need to make a decision on how to lease/rent the Sports Pavilion to the Football club and others who may wish to rent it, how to manage the pavilion so that it is brought up to standard and kept in good order. In addition to decide whether to make changes to the building make better use of the space and attractive to more users. There was a discussion between the councillors to agree away forward including the potential of a track around the edge of the field for running/cycling. SS asked whether there is a possibility to move the playground to sports field. This is probably not possible.	

	<p>JVH proposed that the football club are charged £200 per weekend for the use of the pitches and the pavilion. The football club would have to let us know the dates they require. There would be no storage in the Pavilion. They will have to leave the pavilion as they find it. The PC will pay all the bills and will address all the remedial works required to the building. The facilities will be available for residents use outside of the times that it is rented to the football club.</p> <p>There will be a separate agenda item at the next meeting to discuss work to the pavilion and the playground project.</p> <p>The clerk explained the quotes for the decking which are on file. RC highlighted that there are parts of the decking where its not possible to see the wood underneath. RC also highlighted that it would be difficult to remove the decking form the structure underneath without causing damage to it and that the distance between the balustrades is too wide for H&S. JVH suggested liftin one of the boards to check the main structure below. JVH proposed more investigation before making decision and agreed to organise of r the decking to be jet washed to improve the safety. RC offered to go and check and draw up a specification. DC highlighted that there is a non-slip decking available.</p>	
<p>53.</p>	<p>Highway Matters</p> <p>To receive an update on the grant application for the Black Cat Radar box.</p> <p>The clerk explained that the application had been made, acknowledged and she had supplied additional information that had been requested.</p> <p>The clerk explained the licence requirement and that Catsfield have been negotiating that a licence can be for more than one pole. Keith Robertson explained that Catsfield was being used as a trial area for the project. DC will let the clerk know which poles we would like to apply to have a licence for.</p> <p>JVH proposed that the clerk apply for a licence for the two areas required by ESCC Highways for the project and also the poles that were used earlier to gather the same information. (Brede Lane, Chapel Hill, Stream Lane) DC suggested adding one more by the church on the B2244.</p> <p>7:50pm PG left the meeting with technical issues.</p> <p>All Agreed.</p>	
<p>54.</p>	<p>To consider approval of a dispensation for Cllr Water from attending meetings of the Council until further notice in order to avoid Cllr Waters ceasing to be a member of the council under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972.</p> <p>Resolved the dispensation was approved unanimously.</p>	
<p>55.</p>	<p>To agree arrangements for setting the precept for the 2021/2022 financial year</p> <p>7:52pm PG rejoined the meeting</p> <p>Resolved, the clerk to arrange a finance meeting to discuss the precept.</p>	
<p>56.</p>	<p>Finance and Audit</p> <p>To receive the monthly statement of accounts to 30th September 2020</p> <p>The clerk explained the new report with items identified for EMR. Received and noted</p> <p>The clerk was asked to order a ream of paper for each of the councillors.</p> <p>To receive the bank reconciliation to 30th September 2020</p> <p>Received and noted</p> <p>To receive and approve payments for the month and agree any actions required.</p> <p>Received and payments approved.</p>	
<p>57.</p>	<p>Reports, Correspondence, Questions and Future agenda items not requiring decisions.</p> <p>a) Red Barn Field- Nothing to report</p> <p>b) Sedlescombe Jobs Network – Nothing to report.</p> <p>c) Any other JVH explained that he attended the recent RALC meeting. The main topic to report was the speeding project. JVH also let the meeting know that there was response from RALC to the Govt planning consultation.</p>	
	<p>There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:02pm</p>	

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