

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESENT:** P Wilson, Lee Savidge, Linda Hooper, Ade Doore

**APOLOGIES:** Martin Byrne, Russel Todd, David Hughes (CDC) Dan Sames (OCC)

**ALSO PRESENT:** 1 resident.

**56. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**57. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 were agreed as drawn.

**58. Planning**

None

**59. Finance.**

The current financial position of the Parish Council and Bank reconciliation is shown in Appendix 1.

Cheques were authorised as follows:-

3/12/19	Mr F Milloy	cleaning	101758	140.00
3/12/19	Mrs A Davies	CI salary	101759	164.50
3/12/19	HMRC	CI tax	101760	39.00

The Parish Council considered its budget for 2020/2021 and agreed not to increase the precept for 2020/2021 from the £16000 already requested from Cherwell District Council in the year 2019/2020.

**60. Village Hall**

The Parish Council needs to discuss options for the Village Hall Trust.

**61. Parish Council matters.**

**a. Playground update**

The Chairman will circulate details of new play and outdoor gym equipment that has been obtained by Cllr Todd. The Parish Council needs a quote for repairs to the current playground, highlighted in the safety Inspection Report.

The transfer of further playground areas is proceeding, with CDC's legal department acting for the Parish Council.

**b. VAS (Vehicle Activated Speed sign)**

The Parish Council has permission from OCC to install the VAS unit on lamp post 23 along Murcott Road and opposite to the entrance to The Village Close. Before arrangements can be made for the VAS unit installation, an unmetered energy supply certificate must be obtained from Scottish & Southern Electricity Network (SSEN). The parish clerk will sign the completed unmetered energy agreement form on behalf of the parish. The signed agreement form will be sent to SSEN who will then issue the Parish Council with the necessary certificate. When the Parish Council has received the certificate, a contract with an energy supply company can be agreed and arrangements can then be made with OCC, SSEN, and the supplier of the VAS unit for the installation of the VAS unit to go ahead.

**c. Additional shower / changing facilities ~~Extension to Village Hall~~**

The Chairman has received some information from representatives of Portakabin and Relocatable Building Systems regarding a fully built facility that would need connecting to services. Portakabin advised that its area manager would make contact with the Chairman to discuss possibilities but that has not happened to date. Relocatable Building Systems have advised the Chairman that the Parish Council could possibly get a pre-owned / refurbished unit with 2 toilets, 3 showers and referee facilities for around £15K - £20K. A new build would be around £25K to £30K depending on final specification.

**d. Posts on Village Green**

The new oak posts have now been delivered. The old posts have been removed. The new posts and existing post chains are currently in storage and will be installed by DM Fences when the weather and ground conditions permit.

**e. Village Hall broadband**

The Parish Council was advised about an OCC / government grant scheme offering the use of government funding to enable the installation of an ultrafast broadband connection within the village hall. However, the Parish Council decided that it would be very difficult / impossible to demonstrate to OCC that the necessary qualifying requirement of a defined need for this service could be met. The Parish Council also considered the questions as to whether the service is really required in the village hall, how often it would be used and should it spend £40 - £45 per month of parish money to pay for the service once it had been installed. The Parish Council also expressed its concern as to the implementation and maintenance of the appropriate internet security measures that would be needed for using the router. After considering the details and requirements of the OCC internet broadband proposal, the Parish Council unanimously decided that it would not pursue this offer any further.

**f. Food Truck**

There has been no further information about the request to bring a food truck into the Village..

**62. Public Participation**

None

**63. Correspondence**

There has been a request to park a food truck in Arncott. The Clerk will obtain further details.

**64. Any Other Business**

**65. Woodpiece Road parking – phase 2**

The Chairman emailed CDC on 5<sup>th</sup> December to enquire about the status of the phase 2 parking provision. The Chairman received a reply from CDC on 9<sup>th</sup> December informing him that CDC were looking into the progression of this project in regards to checking the pre-application conditions and evaluating the phase 1 car parking. Once CDC have done that it will update the Parish Council accordingly. The Chairman has spoken with Cllr David Hughes about this and has asked him to investigate whether or not the previously agreed work for the phase 2 parking in Woodpiece Road will still take place or whether CDC are looking to cancel the phase 2 plans.

**Bardwell Football Club**

The Chairman reported that, since the beginning of November, he had made several attempts to try and contact the Bardwell Youth FC chairman about the remaining Bardwell football property that has been left at the village hall / garage. According to the Bardwell Youth FC website, a committee meeting is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at The Nightingale

Pub in Langford Village, Bicester. The Parish Council agreed to try to attend one of these meetings and ask the football committee what its plans are with regard to the removal of the remaining property. As a last resort, the Parish Council will send a notice to the registered address of the football club and then arrange to dispose of the items.

**66. Date of Next Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village hall.

Arcott Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	07 January 2019
Payments processed since last meeting				£1,933.50
	03-Dec-19	pure magic window cleaners	101757	£100.00
	03-Dec-19	Mr F Milloy	101758	£140.00
	03-Dec-19	HMRC	101759	£39.00
	03-Dec-19	Mrs A Davies	101760	£164.50
	03-Dec-19	cancelled	101761	
	03-Dec-19	Mr M Dempsey	101762	£1,490.00
Receipts processed since previous report				£3,631.00
	03-Dec-19	cdc		£3,631.00
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	30 December 2019
		Cambridge BS Account		£75,405.20
		Savings account		£9.64
		Current account		£52,964.49
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments	cancelled			£0.00
	cancelled			£0.00
	cancelled			£0.00
	cancelled			£0.00
			<b>Net Total</b>	<b>£128,379.33</b>