

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 5th January 2021

PRESENT: P Wilson, Lee Savidge, Martin Byrne, Linda Hooper and Russell Todd.

APOLOGIES: David Hughes (CDC)

ALSO PRESENT: Cllr Dan Sames (OCC).

12. Declarations of Interest

None.

13. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd November 2020 were agreed as drawn.

14. Councillors' reports

Cllr Sames reported that the Tornado "Gate Guardian2 is to be removed to the RAF Museum at Boscombe Down

He reported that he is waiting for a response from OCC Highways to the request for white lines in Orchard Close and the renewal of signage in the village.

The hedges at garden Close are due to be cut back shortly.

Changes to bus services mean that there will be 3 services a day to the village. If this is not sufficient he suggests that the council carries out a survey of usage.

15. Planning

The Parish council agreed to object to the following application on the basis that it was back land development:

<u>20/03634/F</u>	The Poplars 13 Mill Lane Upper Arccott OX25 1PB	Erection of three detached dwellings, new vehicular access and all associated works - re-submission of 20/01846/F
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16. Finance.

Precept

After discussion the parish council agreed to request a precept of £17000 for the year 2021/22. This represents an annual payment per band "D" property of £46.39, a reduction of £4.61 per annum from the precept levied in 2020/21, due to an increase in the band "D" tax base from 317.7 to 366.2.

Invoices

Cheques were authorised as follows :

Mrs A Davies	salary and expenses	101822	210.54
HMRC	cl tax	101823	46.40
Mr F Milloy	cleaning	101824	140.00
Came and co	ACA Insurance	101825	344.74
Playsafety	Playground inspection	101826	250.80
independent flooring	VH floor	101827	360.00
Mr M Dempsey	grass	101828	4550.00
Mrs A Davies	salary and expenses	101829	159.55
HMRC	cl tax	101830	40.00
Mr F Milloy	cleaning	101831	140.00
HAGS	outdoor gym	101832	31318.80
Independent flooring	VH floor	101833	360.00
Bicester tree services	tree work	101834	1020.00
Mrs A Davies	clerk salary	101835	159.85
HMRC	cl tax	101836	40.00
Mr F Milloy	cleaning	101837	140.00
cancelled		101838	
Sports and play consulting	play area project	101839	1200.00

17. Parish Council matters

a. Play areas

The Chairman has discussed options with the play area consultant as it has not been possible to meet up due to the current COVID lockdown. He has agreed to continue putting together the necessary documents and arrangements to get the Parish Council to the point where proposals as to what can be done can be reviewed and how much this will cost. Once this is known the Chairman will contact Sarah Burns at CDC to see if there is any way some of the s106 grant money can be used to pay for it. Currently CDC do not consider that a refurbishment of the play area falls within the allowed guidelines as to how the grant money can be spent. However, this could be considered to be an outdoor fitness facility for infants!

b. Outdoor gym equipment project – progress report

Completed.

c. Village Hall new car park project

Ongoing.

d. Village Hall floor

The chairman received a report from the flooring consultant before Christmas. His recommendation is to go with a wooden floor. He also included a quotation to do the job for £18250 nett. and a blank quotation template that the Parish Council can fill in and send out to get quotes from other contractors. The Chairman reported that he is currently putting together a flooring requirement using this template and the details contained in his quotation. Other suppliers who want to quote for this job will need to quote on exactly the same specification as the current quote. He agreed to email out the report and flooring

requirement to the Parish Council and the VHMC for information before sending it out to suppliers. The Council needs a minimum of 3 quotes submit to CDC. The cost can be met from the S106 indoor sports grant money. The VHMC has the phone numbers of people who are interested in buying the existing floor blocks.

e. Green Lane / village green verge

There have been discussions with Skanska(OCC's highways contractor) about costs as work to Green lane will need to go through OCC for them to issue an order for the work. An estimate of £15,000 has been given to do the necessary work based on 1 week's work using 5 men and a marshal on site for a week. Materials estimate is around £2,500. Ashley doesn't think that they'll need 5 men and a marshal for a week. The consultant's advice is that currently this is too high and the parish council are awaiting further advice from him.

f. Village hall Trust Deed

Ongoing.

8. Public Participation

None.

9. Correspondence

None

10. Any other business

There was concern that vehicles are parking half on and half off the verge in Woodpiece road, damaging the verge.

There were also reports that cars were driving from the village hall car Park straight across the grass. The clerk was asked to add discussion of a barrier to the agenda for the next meeting.

11. Date of next meeting

2nd March 2021 at 7:30pm