

Minutes of the Facilities Committee of Aston Clinton Parish Council on
Monday 16th November 2020 at 5.00pm
in the Parish Council Virtual Meeting Room

Present

Cllr Read
Cllr Ronson
Cllr Wyatt
Cllr Howard
Cllr Tubb
Cllr Mason
Cllr Judge

In attendance

E Barry, Clerk (recording)

Members of the public: 0

20.54 Apologies and Co-option

There were no apologies

MOTION: To co-opt Cllr Judge to the Committee, PROPOSED by Cllr Ronson, SECONDED by Cllr Mason and AGREED

20.55 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Howard declared an interest under item 20.61

20.56 Minutes of Last Meeting PROPOSED by Cllr Wyatt, SECONDED by Cllr Howard and AGREED.

20.57 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

20.58 Budgets:

The following items would be proposed to Parish council –

- Grounds maintenance Annual to remain the same
- Grounds maintenance Ad hoc & footpaths – increase to £17,000
- Devolved services – increase to £2,200
- Repairs and Maintenance – increase to £40,000

With the following new items to be considered

- Clean pump house and add door - £1,000
- Lake clearance work in the park - £10,000
- AWP deterrent - £5,000
- Churchyard works - £5,000
- Project to ascertain village footpath ownerships - £1,000
- Private contract for 4 x village dog bins - £600

20.59 Park and Park Facilities

- i. Weekly play inspections & actions – nothing new added, all good
- ii. Skate Ramp – AGREED to have this moved back on to the surface and shored up for £900

- as an urgent action
- iii. Cost of flushing out water pipes in the Churchill Hall – The football club had carried out these works due to the pipes being dormant for a while and potential for legionnaires disease. They also did the same for the Temporary accommodation changing rooms. Cllr Tubb explained that regulations state that they must be cleared if dormant for 24 days. **The Committee felt that the Parish council should be responsible and bear the costs of this.**

MOTION: to agree who is responsible for payment of invoice, PROPOSED by Cllr Tubb, SECONDED by Cllr Mason and AGREED

- iv. Loose paving stones near the ‘beach’ area – Cllr Read explained that this had happened before and was caused by root intrusion. Cllr Read or Cllr Ronson were to meet with Ken Workman to ask if he could rectify. Cllr Mason shared an image and Cllr Ronson explained that there were six stones in total.
- v. Replacement leaf blower and blow torch for weeds – Cllr Read explained that the old leaf blower was no longer fit for purpose and that he and the Clerk under delegated powers had approved the purchase of a new one for £165 ex VAT. Also agreed to was a blow torch driven by gas cylinder to fit to a small colour gas cylinder to be kept outside for safety reasons.

20.60 Projects

- i. Tennis Club S106 project

MOTION: To approve Fencing quote and partial funding through remaining S106 balance, up to the 44K, PROPOSED by Cllr Ronson, SECONDED by Cllr Mason and AGREED

In the amount of £820

- ii. Floodlight S106 project – Update

Cllr Wyatt provided the following update – he was hoping for the new bracket (to replace the cracked one) to come in within the week and for the project to be completed during the lock down period.

- iii. Play park S106 project – Update

The Clerk explained that the S106 authorisation had been updated to remove the wet pour areas that the Council had not approved for S106, and was with the Council again waiting sign off. The supplier and been updated.

- iv. Temporary Accommodation – the Clerk updated with the following

- Project timings and any actions – take down would be week commencing 11th January.
- Removal of skirts and ramp – the PC needed to look at taking down the timber to include skirts and ramp. Ideally take down and away before beginning of January.
- Disconnection quotes for approval

MOTION: To approve quote for disconnection of electrics - £300, PROPOSED by Cllr Tubb, SECONDED by Cllr Howard and AGREED

MOTION: To approve quote for disconnection of plumbing – AGREED up to maximum of £750, PROPOSED by Cllr Mason, SECONDED by Cllr Tubb and AGREED

20.61 Football

- i. Pitch use – winter season

It was AGREED that the Friday walk round with Cllr Tubb and Cllr Wyatt should be reinstated and that a close eye needed to be kept on the state of the pitches if football was up and running again before the end of the wet season.

Cllr Tubb stated that the park was in a terrible state at the moment also from foot fall. The pitches are suffering as a result, and particularly around the dug outs and where the soak away was put in.

Cllr Wyatt felt that the access point near the corner of the pitch should be barriered off and the Clerk agreed to ask the park keeper to do this. There was a general discussion about the state of the park and the increased foot fall.

20.62 Grounds Maintenance

- i. Bulb planting in the village & Park – update and any actions required

Cllr Ronson explained that the planting had been completed and that the Parish council had a map of where they were planted which would be filed. The Clerk added that she had added a formal thank you to the village life magazine article.

20.63 Village

- i. Request for general waste and dog poo bin by bus stop near the mela

The following was AGREED. No to the dog bin as this would be better placed near to the canal footpath but to ask Buckinghamshire Council to install a waste bin in the area.

20.64 Churchyard

- i. Maintenance works - update

Cllr Read updated that the following order had been placed for the following works:

- Hedge trim bushes behind ashes plot
- Remove ivy on 2 Yew trees and crown lift adj. to alleyway
- Fell dead Hawthorn tree
- Brush cut Brambles adj. to cricket field

20.65 Events

- i. Update

Santa’s Float - Cllr Tubb reported that we were waiting to find out if we could hold it this year but was hoping that this would be allowed to go ahead.

- ii. Event requests

There were none.

20.66 Date of Next Meeting

There was no date set for the next meeting.

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