

MINUTES OF MONTACUTE PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 12TH AUGUST 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

19/129/a PRESENT:

Members Mrs C Saint (Chairman), Mrs A Gihon (Vice Chairman), Mrs J Folkard, Mr R Folkard, Mrs K Harper, Mr M Inglett, Mrs J Kelly, Mr R Littlefield, Mrs M Mansi, Mr D Warry and Mrs M Wilson

Others: Mrs S Moore (Clerk) and no members of the public

19/111/b APOLOGIES:

None declared.

19/130 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

No interests were declared.

19/131 RECREATION GROUND:

A report had been circulated to councillors.

Cllr Saint said that as a result of the report on the large hut roof at the last parish council meeting Cllr Inglett had investigated the condition of the roof and has confirmed that the building is in a dangerous state as the 'A' frame that supports the roof is coming apart and the timbers around the edge are rotten so it is not safe to work on. As an emergency precaution the Clerk had emailed all councillors to request the approval of security fencing to cordon off the area so that no one has access to the hut. The cost to hire 12 panels from Yeovil Plant Hire would be £17.16 a week plus VAT with a £20 delivery and collection charge. There is a damage waiver fee incorporated in with this cost so if any were damaged, the council would not have to pay for them. The minimum length of time the council could have the panels for is 4 weeks. The fencing is due to arrive on Thursday 8th August and as YPH do not erect the fencing Cllr R Folkard has kindly offered to do this. The Clerk said she had contacted the National Trust to let them know what has happened and that the fencing was being erected.

The Clerk said she had previously spoken to Western Power Distribution regarding the possible move of the power lines to the new pavilion but now that this has happened it may mean that the supply is cut off and reinstate it once the new pavilion has been built.

Cllr Saint said she had contacted a builder for some advice and to get a quote to demolish the building. The builder agreed with Cllr Inglett's findings but also stated that the smaller middle hut was in a similar condition and would also need demolishing. It was agreed that this would also need fencing off. Cllr Saint said that she had obtained three quotations and confirmed that the gas meter has already been removed from the hut and, the water could be disconnected back to the small toilet hut. *(Cllr Warry entered the meeting)*

The quotations received were:

- CMS Builders - £997 excl VAT
- W H Adams - £1,780 excl VAT. This includes removal of all material
- Martin Dunstan - £1,731.40. No VAT applied.

Cllr Warry suggested erecting another building in place of the existing building instead of a new pavilion and Cllr Inglett suggested a temporary metal building. Cllr Saint said any replacement building would need the approval of the National Trust.

A discussion was held and it was agreed to get the building demolished. Cllr Folkard proposed accepting the quotation from CMS Builders.

Proposed: Cllr R Folkard Seconded: Cllr Mansi agreed unanimously

It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Western Power Distribution and EDF Energy regarding the electricity supply. A discussion was held regarding the extra security fencing for the middle hut and it was agreed to get another 12 panels.

Proposed: Cllr J Folkard Seconded: Cllr Gihon agreed unanimously

Cllr Saint said a resident had agreed to disposed of the contents of the huts. Cllr J Folkard said the benches would need to be moved and Cllr Saint said she would discuss this with the resident as well. Cllr R Folkard commented that the goalposts needed removing as they were rusted through. Cllr Saint said she would discuss this with the builder and this item would go on the September agenda to discuss replacing them.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8pm.