Abinger Parish Council

Abinger Common, Abinger Hammer, Forest Green, Oakwood Hill & Walliswood

Minutes of APC Council Meeting held on 20th September 2021 at 7:01pm

Venue	Okewood Hill Village Hall					
Councillors	Paul Cleaver (PC), Deardre Cunningham (DC), Maria Belcher (MB) Sam Lucking					
	(SL) Henry Barnard (HB) Ed Bigland (EB) David Keene (DK) Ros Doree (RD)					
Clerk	Beccy Anderson (BA)					
Attending						
Item						
1	Attendance and Apologies for Absence – EB, SL					
2	Declarations of Interest – All councillors are the trustee for APRGC.					
3	 Public Question Time - Micheal Miles(MM) & Andrew Pegrum(AP) from Walliswood VH Association attended & Helyn Clack (HC) as an observer. MM and AP attended to discuss the planning application needed for the proposed extension to the Village Hall. The Clerk stated WWVHA would be able to make an application which should attract a 50% discount being a Parish Council property. She agreed to forward a copy of the Mole Valley Planning Application Form to AP who would be making the application. 					
4	 Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th August 2021 The Minutes of the meeting having previously circulated were taken as read. They were agreed and signed by the Chair. 					
5	 Planning The Councillors reviewed and noted the minutes from Planning Committee Meeting of 06/09/2021 					
6	Matters arising from previous Minutes - Countryside Access To Rural Dorking Project – The Clerk updated Councillors regarding the allocation of areas to assess. Councillors MB and EB agreed to assess the footpaths in the North Ward.					
7	 To receive Clerk's financial report and to authorise issue of cheques Approve bank reconciliation – The August 2021 bank reconciliation was approved. Approve payments – The payments for September 2021 were approved. 					
		SEPTEMBER 2021 PAYMENTS				
	HMRC	Clerks PAYE & NI September 2021	690.39			
	Rebecca Anderson	Clerks Expenses Aug - Sept 2021	88.76			

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	Conservation & Access	Abinger Hammer Tillingbourne works	5,040.00		
	Safeplay Playground Services	August 2021 Playground inspections	178.20		
	Safeplay Playground Services	Replacement baby swing seat	286.80		
	Forest Green Village Hall	Forest Green Village Hall (to replace lost chq 1975)	20.00		
	Jake Burley (Clovers)	GM August 2021	1,117.80		
	Okewood Hill Village Hall	Hall Hire 20/09/2021	35.00		
		TOTAL	7,456.95		
8	 Walliswood Village Hall Your Fund Surrey Fund Application Planning Application – it was agreed that WWVHA would be making the planning application Loan Request – this was not discussed as MM was happy with email response from the Clerk Councillors agreed to instruct Conservation & Access to replace the front gate post. 				
9	 Abinger Common Playground - Councillors reviewed the quotes received for a new multi-play item for the playground. It was decided, given the cost of replacement quotes (£6K & £10K), councillors will review the latest inspection report at the next meeting to instruct any necessary repairs. 				
10	 Abinger Common School The Councillors and HC discussed the consultation document from The Good Shepherd Trust regarding the proposed closure of the Abinger Common site. Councillors agreed there were many factors that had affected the falling number of admissions including the lack of affordable housing in the parish and the offers of nearby schools. Councillors agreed to respond to the Trust stating their wish for the school remain open at the site; the school being a vital part of the village. MB & EB will draft a response. 				
11	Date of next Meeting – 18 th October 2021, Abinger Hammer Village Hall commencing 7pm.				
12	 To consider excluding the public from the remainder of the meeting having regard to the nature of the business to be discussed. No matters to discuss 				

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The meeting closed at 20.30pm