

Aylesford Parish Council

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To All Members of the Policy and Resources Committee

Agenda for the Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee to be held on Tuesday 7 July 2020 via a Zoom meeting

link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84214129218 commencing at 7.30pm.

Agenda

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 March 2020

4. Law and Order

At the last meeting the Clerk reported that two quotes had been obtained for the provision of CCTV in the High Street, Aylesford. These quotes varied from approximately £9300 to £10700 and included for the provision of a new laptop and an estimate of the cost of installation. At that meeting it was agreed that consideration of the installation of a CCTV camera in the High Street, Aylesford be deferred until all the local members were present at the meeting.

5. KALC

6. TMBC/ Parish Partnership Panel Meeting

Report from Councillor Shelley of the meeting held on 30 June 2020 was considered at the meeting of the Environmental Services Committee held on 23 June 2020.

7. Council Vacancies

The Current Vacancies are

1 Aylesford South

8. Public Convenience Review – Aylesford Toilets

The Clerk wrote to TMBC on 1 April as set out in the attached document.

9. Walderslade Baptist Church – Use of Village Hall Grant

The Walderslade Baptist Church have received quotations for works needed to repair and repaint the external woodwork, windows and doors at the Church. This includes scaffolding at the front for the high apex window. The quotation they wish to proceed with is from a local contractor and the total cost of the work is £2156. The Church have £2000 in their village hall grant which they would wish to use for this work and was also asking if the local members would be happy to make up the shortfall of £156 from their micro grants. If this was split across all Walderslade Members the cost would be £31.20 each.

10. Aylesford FC - Request for Micro Grant Support for Grass Seed

Currently Aylesford FC undertake the work for repairing the goalmouths at the Forstal Road pitches themselves rather than using the Council's contractor who does the work at the other sites. The cost to the Council if the contractor was to do the work would be \pounds 440. In the past the Club have made a request for micro grant support to pay for the grass seed and this has been agreed. They are seeking this support again and the cost of the seed is \pounds 209.99 which is less than half of the cost of a contractor.

11. Aylesford Village Community Centre – Claim for Unpaid Water Charges

The AVCC have made a request to the Council for payment towards the cost of water and wastewater charges since the last payment made in 2012. The Council has always indicated that it is happy to pay its share of these charges and raised this issue with them on many occasions to get this matter resolved but the main problem was the failure of AVCC to produce any supporting paperwork. The Council has now in place a water meter and a system for current payments has been agreed by both parties. It is suggested that the Council agree a resolution to this issue with AVCC, which could be based on the existing agreement.

12. Review of Council Noticeboards, Map Boards and Seats

The Clerk will update the Committee at the meeting

13. Risk Assessments

It is a requirement for the Council to consider the Risk Assessments relevant to the services undertaken by the Council each year. This matter was to be reported at the end of the last financial year but due to the Coronavirus pandemic has been delayed until now. A copy of all the Risk Assessments are attached to this Agenda. The Clerk will be happy to respond to any questions at and before the meeting.

14. Access to the Old Scout Hut (The Old Forge) at Mill Hall, Aylesford

In accordance with the normal consultation process for planning applications the Council has recently received an application for the development of a detached dwelling at this site being accessed by the public footpath running alongside the river. The land leading to this site is owned by the Council and it was surprising that the Council had not been consulted before this time regarding access. This matter has now been taken up with the developer and discussions are now starting to take place. This will be a matter which will require legal advice and the Clerk has already had initial discussions with the Council's Solicitor. The Clerk will update the Committee further at the meeting.

15. Any Other Business/Correspondence

Neil Harris Clerk to the Council

Date: 2 July 2020