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| **Date & Time:** | Monday 18 January 2016 at 8.00pm |
| **Venue:** | Walliswood Village Hall |
| **Chair:** | Ros Doree (RD) |
| **Clerk:** | Trevor Haylett |
| **Councillors:** | Gary Bennett (GB), Paul Cleaver (PC), Deardre Cunningham (DC), Richard Frost (RF), Paul Cleaver (PC), Mike Brady (MB), William Corke (WC) |
| **Present:** | Barrie Arminson |

PART ONE

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| **No.** | Item |
| **1** | **The Chairman thanked** BarrieArminson for his 30 years as a Parish Councillor and presented him with a commemorative plate.  Apologies were received from Peter Farley. |
| **2** | **To receive any declarations of interest -** All Councillors declared trusteeship of Abinger Parish Recreation Grounds Charity (APRGC). WC declared an interest in item 8 and specifically the second planning application listed. |
| **3** | **To confirm and sign minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2015 -** The minutes were agreed, GB proposed, RF seconded. |
| 4 | **Finances (a) Budget and Precept –** RD presented a draft budget for the financial year 2016/17 which was unanimously agreed. It was decided to raise the precept by £1,000. It was agreed that some of the work on the Greens would be funded by APRGC. RF suggested it would be good to have a budget for APRGC. **Action:** RD will draw up a Charity budget.  **(b) To receive financial statement -** the Clerk’s financial statement was received and the following payments approved: Spring Reach Nursery - 202.80; Walliswood Village Hll - £18.77; Burleys - £443.09; Evelyn Hall - £30; T.Haylett - £1059.90; R.West - £450; S.Bennett - £56.90; Safeplay - £90; Walliswood Village Hall - £875.  **(c) Section 137 Grants** – No applications received.  **(d) Walliswood Village Hall** committee had asked for an increase in their annual grass-cutting payment. GB expressed concern that it should in future be recorded as a donation rather than a grass-cutting payment and this was agreed. It was also agreed to keep the payment at £875. |
| **5** | **Fallen tree at Abinger Hammer** – Tony Kenwood has cleared away a great deal of the tree but the trunk and several big branches remain. PC expressed concern about the value of this timber and it was agreed to get a second opinion on what to do with the remainder. PC said he had heard that the cricket club were thinking of replacing the pavilion roof and added that he had been told of a crack appearing down the wall. RF explained that they were matters that the Insurers would deal with. **Action:** WC agreed to contact a tree surgeon he knows for a second opinion while RD will send photos of the damage to the Clerk who will forward them to the Insurers. |
| **6** | **Defibrillators  (a)** The Parish Council has been awarded four defibrillators by the British Heart Foundation and they will go to Abinger Hammer, Abinger Common, Walliswood and Forest Green. RD suggested that in each case they should be sited on the outside wall of all the Village Halls except Abinger Hammer because of its location. It was agreed that at Abinger Hammer the best location was on a side wall of the Post Office.  **Action:** The Village Halls and the Post Office to be approached about siting the defibrillator on an outside wall.  (b) It was decided not to take up the offer from RideLondon to fund the defibrillators in exchange for guaranteed use of a drinks stop and toilets for the 2016 and 2017 events. **Action:** RD will write to RideLondon and suggest that there may be another opportunity for them to support the local community. RD will also write to Surrey County Council cabinet members and ask them to consider varying the RideLondon route so it doesn’t affect the Abinger parish so much. The SCC cabinet are voting on 2nd February on whether to continue the event for a further two years after the current five-year term ends in 2017. |
| **7** | **Public Question Time –** No questions |
| **8** | **Planning -** Members noted that the Boswell Farm applications had been withdrawn but it was said they were likely to be restored at a later date. Concern was expressed about a dwelling in Standon Lane in which two buildings had been constructed at the back, both visible from the road.  **Action:** GB will contact Mole Valley District Council to ascertain whether planning permission is required for this development. |
| **9** | **Surrey County Council Highways** (a) RD explained that she had spent considerable time complaining about a lack of gritting in Forest Green  which contributed to a spate of recent accidents. SCC say that gritting had taken place.  (b) RD and RF attended a SCC meeting about road sign decluttering. RD and RF agreed to look at Abinger  Hammer and Felday Road and provide a risk assessment on removing certain signs. SCC will have the final say on  those signs. |
| **10** | **Tillingbourne Tales & Trails –** Concern was expressed about the damage to Abinger Hammer Green  - particularly the banks of the stream - caused by the number of visitors, mainly by teenagers working on their geography projects in bad weather. **Action –** Rob Fairbanks from Surrey Hills has agreed to arrange a meeting between Abinger Parish Council and Juniper Hall. |
| **11** | **Events run by Surrey Association of Local Councils –** GB required further information regarding the Update meeting on 11th February. |
| **12** | **Invitations/Correspondence** – the Clerk read out the latest crime figures for the area issued by PCSO Pat Booker. There had been nine crimes including thefts (4), burglaries from dwellings (2) and a non-dwelling (1) and criminal damage (1). MB requested a copy of the report. |
| **13** | **Member’s Reports** – No reports. |
| **14** | **To Agree Dates of future Parish Council meetings:**  21 March 2016 - Abinger Hammer Village Hall (Annual Parish Meeting & Ordinary Meeting)  16 May 2016 – Walliswood Village Hall |

There was no Part 2 and the meeting closed at 9:35pm