



MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES EXTRAORDINARY
COMMITTEE MEETING
26th June 2024, 1.30pm

Present:

Cllrs. Mike Smith, Graham Bennell, Phil Quinlan and Mark Brayford

Also present:

Mrs Julie Russell (Clerk)

24.25 OPEN SESSION

- i. Cllr Mitchell said that there had been a power outage recently cause by trees on the green, and that some of them need trimming back. This will be put on an agenda for a future meeting.
- ii. Cllr Smith said that he felt the cricket club should be recompensed for their expenses for hire of the village hall for match teas whilst they are unable to use the pavilion. The clerk agreed to follow this up with Cllr Kercher.
- iii. The clerk had got a quote for urgent tree work on the school boundary and sought approval on this, which was agreed.

ACTION

Clerk

Clerk

24.26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

24.27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

The following agenda items were heard under closed session.

24.28 TO REVIEW FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS AND AGREE ANY RESULTING ACTIONS

The clerk presented the cash book value of each bank account at the present date, based on all cheques written to date. No actions arose

24.29 TO REVIEW AND AGREE TASKS FOR THE COMPLETION PHASE OF THE PAVILION

Progress was discussed on the outstanding aspects of the pavilion. Councillors agreed to get quotes for batteries. Cllr Bennell advised that councillors consider how much power the solar panels will generate and whether we can sell it back to the electricity provider, as it is not always possible to feed it back into the national grid.

With regard to the air source heat pump, Cllr Bennell offered to contact Mike Overy for advice based on what was done for the village hall. The clerk agreed to contact Turnquay again to get further information on the ASHP and car charging points.

The clerk had a quote to clean the balcony and cladding on the pavilion from the company who did the moss removal, at the same time as they finished the remaining moss removal and sought approval to

proceed. This was agreed.

24.30 TO REVIEW OPTIONS FOR A STAIRLIFT AND AGREE ACTIONS

Cllr Smith said that he had contacted Stannah and been quoted £5.5k for a new stairlift, and £4.5k for a second hand one. It was agreed that further quotes were needed.

24.31 TO REVIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE ELEMENTS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS AND AGREE ACTIONS

Councillors agreed to apply for grants for all of the stairlift, the air source heat pump, the solar panels and batteries, and the car charging points. The clerk will explore what options are available with EHDC.

Clerk

24.32 TO SET UP A WORKING GROUP TO PROGRESS ACTIONS FOR THE STAIR LIFT, APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT OPPORTUNITIES AND PAVILION COMPLETION

Councillors agreed that the working group would be Cllrs Smith, Quinlan and Mitchell and the clerk, who would agree outside of the F&GP meeting how to divide up the tasks and when to meet and report back to full council, as appropriate.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2.15pm.

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