

**Minutes of the Oving Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 9th January 2018 at Oving Village Hall, Oving**

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Present:

Cllr Ambrose McGinn (Chairman)	Cllr Vanessa Wiggins
Cllr Kit Couper	Sue Severn (Clerk)
Cllr Richard Devas	Linda Nicholls (Minutes Secretary)
Cllr Jack Peeters	Janet Russell (Book-keeper)
Cllr Kevin Hewson (AVDC)	

In attendance:

Three members of Gigaclear and five members of the public.

1 Apologies for absence

Cllr Janet Blake (AVDC)

2 Open Forum for Parishioners

Cllr McGinn welcomed members of the public and Gigaclear staff.
The following agenda items were brought forward by agreement.

6 Aylesbury Vale Broadband

Gigaclear staff outlined the history of the company. Founded in 2010 they only operated in the south of England and in rural areas, supplying ultrafast broadband, always to the householders' premises. They worked with nine local authorities and had 200 employees and were backed by city investors including the Rail Pension Fund. Currently Gigaclear had 15,000 customers.

They explained that they had acquired AVB on 30th December 2017 and had already visited all the villages concerned and answered questions. They would be working in three phases:

- 1 connecting AVB customers onto their network;
- 2 currently unconnected networks (Oving and Drayton Parslow) would be next;
- 3 That they would move out from those villages.

Any problems with private landowners would be negotiated for laying cable. Councillors offered their assistance.

They would report back to Oving in four to six weeks. Cllr McGinn stated that the PC would report the information but would not make a recommendation of specific provider to parishioners. OPC would put a statement on the Oving web page, on Facebook, and in the newsletter.

Action: AM/SS

Gigaclear staff left the meeting.

Other reports

Cllr Hewson reported that the AVB audit review committee meeting papers would be published on 12th January for a meeting on 22nd January, to which members of the public were invited to attend. The Terms of Reference would be drawn up and the review would be detailed and published in full. It was expected to take three months.

Cllr Hewson also reported that permission for development in Quainton had been refused, however North Marston and Granborough applications had not been decided yet.

Cllr Hewson left the meeting.

3 Declarations of Interest

None.

4 Minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2017

The minutes dated 14th November were agreed by all councillors and signed by Cllr McGinn.

5 Matters arising

- 2] The hedges between Windmill Bungalows and the bus stop had been cut.
- 2] BCC would be contacted again regarding the puddle at the top of Pulpit Lane. **Action: JP/SS**
- 5] 18 The Pightle, Oving. Cllr Peeters had looked at the application.
- 11] The salt bin for Church Lane had arrived. Cllr Peeters to site it. **Action: JP**

7 Planning

17/04866/AGN Hillhead Farm, Pitchcott Road, Oving

Cllr Peeters stated that this application had been incorrectly applied for and after discussion councillors agreed to object.

8 Recreation Ground

Dropped kerb: The dropped kerb will be funded by the Local Area Forum. BCC has agreed to waive the fee for the Highways Licence. Work should be carried out during February.

Reading Room: A proposal will be prepared for the Council's consideration and public consultation in due course. **Action: JP**

Recreation Ground Committee

- Cllr Peeters requested that weedkiller for the football pitch be added to the budget. **Action: SS/JR**
- The leaking roof in the pavilion. Richard Parrott would be looking into this problem.
- The Recreation Ground Committee would meet more regularly in future.

9 Oving Village Hall

- Three successful events had been held and a profit made.
- The handyman (David Lucas) was very competent.
- The door between the gents and the hall would be replaced.
- Cllr Peeters reported that the rainwater harvesting system needed some work. The gullies need sealing, the tank needs pumping out and resealing, and a new pump is required.
- The outside lights were not working properly, the contractor would be called back to rectify.

Action: SS

10 Community Led Plan/Footpaths

- Cllr Wiggins reported that four gates would be the target for 2018.
- The ground at the bottom of the footpath steps by the allotments had been repaired filled with hardcore by RTM Landscapes.
- Stone View footpath. The clerk would write to BCC again.
- MVAS speed sign management. Stuart Nicholls would be asked to take this on.

Action: SS

Action: LN

11 Finance

- The **Parish Precept for Oving Parish 2018/2019** was agreed at £26,750.
- The football and tennis clubs would be charged a small increase for 2018/19, particularly in view of the additional cuts and weedkilling for the football pitch, requested by the club. Oving Village Cup would also be invoiced for 2017/18, not yet collected.
- It was agreed to contribute £450 to the Village Newsletter. Councillors asked why the newsletter was not available online. LN would find out.
- **Internal Auditor:** Councillors agreed to re-appoint Mr Gus Orchard for 2018/19.

Action: SS/JR

Action: LN

The payment run was agreed as circulated.

S Severn	Net salary £320, Office £50, Expenses 21.6, Sage payroll £6, phone £30.0	£427.60	-	£427.60		
D Varley	Cleaning village hall November				£85.00	£85.00
L Nicholls	Bookings secretary Dec/January				£114.00	£114.00
Oving & Pitchcott News	Parish Council contribution to newsletter	£400.00	£0.00	£400.00		
RTM Landscapes	Application of additional material at base of footpath steps	£70.00	£14.00	£84.00		
	Cut hedge opposite The Pightle	£150.00	£30.00	£180.00		
Mrs J Russell	Book keeping					
Aqua Windows	Window cleaning December				£18.00	£18.00
David Lucas	Support structure for village hall water tanks				£255.00	£255.00

- The accounts were agreed to the end of December 2017.

12 Devolved services & Grass cutting

- The clerk reported that BCC had no stated there was no budget for repairs to Church Lane.
- Cllr Peeters asked for Highways' to be added to the next agenda.

Action: SS

13 Meetings

Cllr Peeters thanked the clerk for organising the defibrillator training.

14 Date of next OPC meeting

Tuesday 13th March 2018 at **7.15 pm in the Reading Room.**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 2100.