

**Minutes of the Community Centre Committee of Aston Clinton Parish Council –
Wednesday July 13th 2016 – 6.45pm
Aston Clinton Parish office, Aston Park, Aston Clinton, HP22 5HL**

Present:

T Comerford – Chairman
L Tubb

M Osborn
P Hughes

Clerk: G Merry

Members of the Public: 0

Cllr Tubb PROPOSED Cllr Hughes as Vice Chair, SECONDED By Cllr Osborn and AGREED

16.06 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Wyatt

16.07 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations

16.08 Updates: -

i. Review Progress in Fundraising

The fundraising situation has not progressed since the last meeting and it may also be necessary now to revise the original costings. It would be necessary to go back to the quantity surveyor for that.

ii. Funding:

a. Bank Borrowing:

Cllr Comerford queried whether the PC is within its powers to borrow to this extent. The clerk advised speaking to Mr Grey, the clerk at Aylesbury Town Council. Cllr Osborn felt it would be beneficial to look at what could be built within the funding already secured. There was general support for this. However, Cllr Comerford pointed out that a business case had been presented for the full build and funding had been secured on that basis. It would be necessary to build a business case for a reduced build. Cllr Osborn pointed out that new builds have decreased since the E.U. referendum and this could affect the allocated \$106 monies. There was increased uncertainty now about servicing a heavy loan (I.R.O. £1.2million). Cllr Comerford advised that he would ask Westbury PC for advice. Cllr Osborn queried whether renovating what is there would be an option. Cllr Comerford stated that this option had been explored at the start and there was a design concept for this which he would circulate. Cllr Tubb had checked the NALC rules which stated the necessity of going via the local County Association (BALC) re. assessing affordability, and then ultimately to the Secretary of State for final approval.

b. Other Grant Bodies

Cllr Hughes will talk to the Colts about supporting our bid to the F.A, as ACFC have not been responsive on this. An affiliated F.C. must sponsor the bid going to the F.A. The clerk

advised giving ACFC a deadline to respond. Cllr Osborn felt there would be more leverage working with the Colts as a young team.

c. Other

It was discussed whether a retail tenant could be asked for an upfront payment in lieu of rent. Cllr Osborn also pointed out that parking will be an issue. There is already insufficient space on busy days and there is nowhere else to expand parking. It was agreed that bike racks should be installed anyway, regardless of the new build, possibly using S106 money. Cllr Osborn felt the committee should also look at a new All Weather Pitch and whether this could be integrated into the new facility.

d. Public Engagement and Visibility: The need to inform the public of the plans and to obtain feedback was discussed. It was agreed to have display boards in the cafe during August and also feedback boards. The clerk agreed to let the user-groups know and Cllr Comerford would also prepare mailshots. Cllr Tubb, Comerford and the Clerk would form a working party for the display arrangements.

16.09 Date of Next Meeting: TBC

The meeting closed at 7.25pm

Signed Date: