

programme to make up sunken graves and this will be done in conjunction with the Burials Group. Cllr Lyon was waiting to hear from the County Council to ascertain ideas and costs of what could be done to alleviate the problem of damage to the edge of The Green. The village sign is in need of replacement and ideas are being formulated for a village competition to obtain a new design.

G. Road Safety: No report this month.

H. Street Lighting: No report this month.

I. Recreation: Cllr Parr is obtaining prices for the replacement of rotten boards around the MUGA court and also for repairs to the surface. The gate to the court was due to be re-hung the following day and a self-closing spring fitted. Some items belonging to the Youth Club had been collected by the ex Youth Leader but she had donated the table tennis and pool tables for use by another club if one is formed.

12. FINANCE & EMERGENCY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Clerk advised that the Terms of Reference for the Finance & Emergency Committee call for a minimum membership of 6 councillors and only 5 were elected in May. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that Cllr Ray should be elected to serve on the committee. Motion carried unanimously.

13. DISCUSSION PAPERS

Planning Meetings: Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Ray seconded that the Council should modify the way they respond to ECDC Planning Consultations. A Standing Review Group will be set up to review all applications but a formal Planning Committee Meeting will only be held where an application is of particular concern. Cllr Lyon will produce a policy to outline the procedure and terms of reference. This will be on a trial basis to be reviewed after 6 months. Motion carried unanimously.

Cllrs Goddard, Cheetham, Parr and Ray will form the first review group and act from 1st July to 30th September.

Communications Group: It was agreed that a Communications Group would be set up to oversee communication between the Parish Council and residents to hopefully improve on the current means of informing parishioners what the Council is doing and why and also encourage feedback from them. As part of this process the Council would like to include one or two parishioners as members of the group. The Group will also oversee the content of the Haddenham website and Cllr Bayes had advised that his wife would be pleased to be involved in this side of things. Membership of the Group will comprise Cllrs Hugo, Parr, Morris, Ray and Lyon.

14. COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS FUNDING

(See Minutes FC 05/2015 Item 28 para 2) An amount of £2500 had been Precepted for 2015/16 to pay for the services of a Youth Leader at Haddenham Youth Club but unfortunately the County Council had since shut the Club and made the Youth Leader redundant, therefore the funding would not now be required for this year. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Hugo seconded that £500 of this money should be transferred to the Section 137 budget and used as a donation for the Haddenham Community First Responders to help towards the purchase of new equipment for the five new volunteers. This would be a one off donation and not an ongoing commitment. Motion carried unanimously.

(LGA 1972 s137)

15. HADDENHAM BONFIRE FUNDING

A request for funding had also been received from the new Bonfire Committee to enable them to hold their first fireworks event in November. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Hugo seconded that £500 should also be transferred out of the closed Youth budget into Section 137 and used as a donation to help the Committee get started. This would be a one off donation and not an ongoing commitment. Motion carried unanimously.

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