

16. SPORTS PAVILION REFURBISHMENT PROJECT

(See Minutes FC 05/2014 Item 28) Proposals for the refurbishment of the Pavilion had been received from the architects and Cllr Lyon requested permission to advance to the next stage to find suitable builders to produce a suitable concept and idea of costs. Cllr Goddard proposed and Cllr Tindall seconded that permission should be granted. Motion carried unanimously.

There were some concerns that should this go ahead it would be in direct competition with the Arkenstall Centre and other venues in the village but it was agreed this would not be the case as it is a much smaller facility and will be aimed more at sporting activities. There is no desire to compete with the existing facilities in the village.

At this point Cllr G Wilson advised that sadly Fred Walter, a very helpful and highly respected member of the Recreation Committee had died recently. A card of condolence had been sent to his wife.

17. REPLACEMENT POSTS ON THE GREEN

Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Norman seconded that the damaged post on The Green should be removed and the area made good but the Council should not replace the other missing posts or any of the remaining ones in the future. Motion carried unanimously. The Clerk will arrange for the removal.

(Local Government Act 1894(1)(i))

18. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS

The contracts will come up for renewal on 1st April 2015 and draft tender documents were presented for consideration. It was proposed that there should be a main contract to cover grass cutting, strimming, hedge cutting, bins, street cleaning and other miscellaneous work plus a separate contract for grass cutting and strimming at Fairchild's Meadows and Wayman's Pits. Cllr Page proposed and Cllr P Wilson seconded that the tender documents should be agreed subject to the amendments as discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

A notice will be posted inviting contractors to lodge an expression of interest to tender by 30th September. This will enable tender documents to be sent out early October and a decision to be made at the December Full Council meeting.

19. STREET LIGHTING

(See Minutes FC 07/2014 Item 10F) The Clerk advised that it might be necessary to obtain a Faculty from the Diocesan Office before the two lights could be changed in the Churchyard and in view of this possible hold up Cllr Smith proposed that a low energy lantern should be installed at the top of Froize End where the lantern has been removed by UK Power Networks. Cllr Cheetham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

(Parish Councils Act 1957 s3)

The Clerk will make enquiries about the missing lantern and also ask if the Council has permission to fit a new lantern to the replacement post. She will obtain pictures of the low energy lights and send them to the Church Warden to ascertain if they would be acceptable and if a Faculty would be required if they were replaced in the future. She will also ask Westcotec to clean the existing lamps in the Churchyard.

20. UPGRADE TO FIBRE OPTIC BROADBAND

Cllr P Wilson proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that the Parish Council Broadband should be upgraded, including a free calling package on a new 24-month contract, at a cost of £32 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

(Local Government Act 1972 s111)

21. CLLR CHEETHAM MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES & WORKING PARTIES

Cllr Hugo proposed and Cllr Page seconded that Cllr Cheetham should be elected to have membership of both Planning Committees and the Environmental Overview Group with immediate effect. Motion carried unanimously.

