

2. Mendip had refused the application for development at Dangerfield Farm
3. Two applications for works to trees in the Conservation Area had been considered by Cllrs Phippen, Reckless and King and recommended for approval. These were felling of a cherry tree at Highview and felling of a eucalyptus at 7 Rogers Close
4. The clerk had checked progress of the Bell Inn application and expected a decision to be publicised later in the week
5. The clerk had also met with Clare Haskins, Footpath Officer, on 3rd August to look at the situation with the almost blocked footpath behind Rogers Close, the condition of Clareham Lane and the area by the bus stop
 - a. Clare was impressed by the grass cutting done by residents in the Rogers close/playing field area and will send in her contractor to trim the blocked area so that the landowner can then handle the problem by regular cutting
 - b. She found the surface of Clareham lane acceptable for the type of country path, but will send a contractor to cut back the side vegetation where the path has narrowed near Hillhouse Farm. She will also return to look at that area in the winter to see if anything can be done to improve the drainage
 - c. From her observations she did not think another dog bin was needed
 - d. Clare had advised that the overgrown area by the bus stop is not a footpath problem but could be a highways responsibility and she would ask Highways to look at it for us
6. The clerk had reported the damaged inspection cover outside the Village Hall
7. Frome Council had sent an invitation to meet with them again on 15th September.
8. A police PACT meeting would be held at 7.30 on 13 September in Beckington
9. Viv Street had attended her Being a Good Councillor Training on 16 March
10. The annual playing field safety report had been received and passed on to Susie Hicks, chair of the committee, and all councillors
11. Susie has reported that the new committee is now working well to handle the ivy situation and are raising funds to buy a bench to commemorate the Queens 90th birthday.

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Cllr Sherrin*

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3263 Finance:

1. The clerk reported
 - a. Audited Playing Field Accounts had been received for 2015-6
 - b. Council Tax Support Grant will not be paid to us next year
 - c. Cheques have been signed, approved by the clerk, since the last meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum:-
 - Clerks April to June salary, - £716.68
 - Post Office Ltd for PAYE April to June - £179.00
 - Sara Corbett, cost of hall decorations, Queens 90 - £108.63
 - Playsafety ltd for annual inspection £88.20
 - d. All signatures have been accepted by the Coventry building society and signatories are now the Clerk and Cllrs Aston, Corbett, Phippen and King
2. Council then discussed a request from the Parochial Church Council for financial help with the felling or pruning of the yew tree and renovation and repair of the church clock. As there were no quotations or surveys available they were unable to make a decision but they agreed to look at it again if the necessary reports were submitted and, possibly, a general appeal is set up. The clerk was asked to write to the PCC to explain that any grant would be very modest due to the level of parish council finance
3. The clerk presented options for applying for a government grant from the Local Government Transparency Fund to provide council owned computer equipment, web site and training, plus additional staff time during the development, to allow the council to be compliant with Transparency regulations. Council agreed with the clerks recommendations on all points and that a grant for £1953.68 should be applied for. They also agreed additional spends from precept of £175 for upgrading

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3265 Dates of next two meetings: Agreed as 22 September and 3 November

This meeting closed at 9.15 pm