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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee held on Wednesday 10th
June 2026 at 7.00pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Cllr McAllister, Cllr Smith, Cllr Medhurst, Cllr R Pullen, Cllr
M Pullen.

IN ATTENDANCE: Debbie Batley, Locum Clerk

APOLOGIES: None

- 26.39** **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN - RESOLVED:** That Cllr Paul McAllister would be Chairman for the coming year. Purposed by Cllr R Pullen seconded by Cllr Medhurst and unanimously agreed by all.
- 26.40** **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN - RESOLVED:** That Cllr R Pullen Vice Chairman for the coming year.
- 26.40** **CF** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - None**
- 26.41** **CF** **OPEN SESSION – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
No public present.
- 26.42** **CF** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
There were none.
- 26.43** **CF** **COMMITTEE MINUTES**
On the proposal of Cllr R Pullen, which was seconded by Cllr Smith, and with all Councillors in agreement, it was: **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Community Facilities Committee meeting held on the 13th May 2026.**
- 26.44** **CF** **PROJECT PROGRESS AND ACTIONS**
- 26.44.1** To receive update on project - permission granted with 17 conditions / look at doing the roadworks and signs as soon as possible discussed wait and see what the employee Agent said
- 26.44.2** Allocation of Budget – make a request of RFO for allocation of CIL's to Benians Projects, along with coding and reports specific for the project We need up to date spend funds to come and current unspent funds comparison to existing budget. To allow decisions to be made on G99 playground etc in advance of employee agent arranged costing
- 26.44.3** Transfers of Facilities to other locations – Office to Village Hall – inform the Village Hall by letter of what is needed i.e.: power sockets, telephone, internet, offer a provisional date to the Village Hall.

- 26.44.4** Question regarding order a Prefab building – Employee Agent may advise something else
- 26.44.5** The Clerk will write to the Scouts regarding the use of the Scout Hall for the daytime activities that use the Benians - using the provisional date of the 1st January 2027
- 26.44.6** G99 SSEN will give us a quote on the solar, but we need to make a formal application for the drawdown – the cost of each application must be confirmed. Need to review what we apply for because they have a legal obligation to confirm that they are supplying what we need.
- Current transformer is 20MVA will need to go to 50MVA to cope with solar and likely load increase. It makes more sense to sub meter the scout hut and bowls club to allow them to benefit from lower electricity costs and no standing charge.
- Assessment of the load required for a new scout hut to be considered so a second uplift on transformer is not required (cost of each uplift is in the £50-100k range)
 - Process will be:
 - Collect load data for Protec engineering who will create a load increase and G99 request to SSEN
 - SSEN study (up to three months)
 - SSEN make Offer with contestable and non-contestable sections
 - Accept offer with contestable sections to be completed by our own sub-contractor
- 25.44.7** Employee Agent – now on contract finder
- Responses by 30/6/2026
 - Recommendation next meeting
 - Authorisation by full council for appointment in July meeting
- 26.44.8** Router switch and aps updated plus two ethernet ports in Benians ' back room which gives 48MB connections
- 26.44.9** Scout Hut - fields in trust update, application has gone in
- 26.45** CF **LATE ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION**
None
- 26.46** CF **TO AGREE ANY FUTURE ACTIONS/PROPOSALS FOR FULL COUNCIL**
- To discuss any recommendations to present to the Full Council on the 20th May 2026 - Permission to investigate a new Broadband Supplier
- 26.47** CF **NEXT MEETING: 8th July 2026**
- 26.48** CF **Meeting closed: 8.15pm**