EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCILGorfin Hall Management Committee

Notes of the meeting held at 1715 on Monday 16th November 2020 via zoom.

Present

Frank Cullis

Bruce De Saram

BDS

Exmouth Town Council

Tony Woodward

TW

Exmouth Town Council

Brian Bailey

BB

Exmouth Town Council

Andrea Smale AS Sunshine Nursery

Lisa Bowman LB Town Clerk Exmouth Town Council

Julie Gregory JG Exmouth Town Council

Mollie Carey MC Administrator Exmouth Town Council

Apologies

Paul Bartlett PB Sunshine Nursery

1. Welcome and apologies

FC welcomed members to the meeting as Chairman and apologies were given.

2. Notes

These were agreed as a true representation of the meeting held on 24th August 2020 and were signed off by the Chairman verbally.

3. Update on broadband installation

FC invited JG to give an update on the service installation of the fibre broadband at Gorfin Hall. JG updated members that the cabling had not been installed to the correct length, which meant that the installation to Gorfin Hall could not take place. A new installation date and re-cabling date has been scheduled and the hall will have fibre broadband installed by the end of November given that there are no further complications with installation.

4. Update on the resurfacing of the service lane

FC invited LB to give an update on the investigations into the liability for resurfacing of the service lane. LB informed members that she is still awaiting a reply from DCC

and has been in contact with Councillor Jeff Trail BEM to follow up the enquiry and seek a definitive answer. LB to report back at the next meeting if any progress has been made.

5. Update from Sunshine Nursery.

FC invited AS to give an update on the Sunshine Nursery. AS gave an update on the nursery and proceeded to tell members that the website launch had gone well and that they haven't had a decrease in the intake numbers as expected.

Hourly cleaning regimes are continuing throughout the day, children are being encouraged to wash their hands regularly and often to maintain the safe space.

AS will be able to say if they have reached pre-Covid capacity at the next meeting

6. Any Other Business

TW enquired if any more progress has been made regarding the smart export guarantee (successor scheme to feed in tariff) in relation to the recent solar panel installation. The Council is not yet able to sell excess electricity generated by the panels because the Council is on a large business account which is not compatible. JG explained she has been contacting the energy supplier weekly to check on progress but the Hall is still on the waiting list. JG to update members on progress at the next meeting.

Members queried the current state of the hedgerow boundary of Hamilton Lane Allotments which was damaged by the broadband company. LB confirmed that the allotment association has been dealing directly with the company and have now had herras fencing permanently put in place in order for the hedgerow to form a natural bank around it. AS confirmed that it is in situ and that brambles are starting to grow and form a natural hedgerow.

7. Dates of future meetings

Next meeting will be held on Monday 14th December at 1715. Zoom meeting link and meeting documents will be sent out prior to the meeting.

The meeting finished at 17.33.