

<p style="text-align: center;">ALBRIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING Grants Committee 19th February 2015 at 6.30 pm</p>
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Minutes of the Albrighton Parish Council Grants Committee meeting held on 19th February 2015 at 6.30 pm in the Red House.

PRESENT: Cllrs. S Pate (Chair), S Jarvis, M Medlyn, S Pledger.

In attendance: Mr M Ward, Clerk to Albrighton Parish Council.

1. Apologies.

None.

2. Minutes of the meeting 16th October 2014.

Cllr. Pate proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record which was seconded by Cllr. Pledger and unanimously agreed by the committee.

3. Matters arising.

The Chair confirmed that there had been no response from Albrighton Football Club to the request for further information.

4. Request for annual grant funding from Bridgnorth and South Shropshire Crucial Crew.

Cllr. Pledger proposed that match funding of £7 per head for each of the 64 pupils attending the 2015 event should be made available to Crucial Crew which was seconded by Cllr. Pate and agreed by the committee.

5. Funding request for RAF Cosford Youth Club to help deliver further youth sessions.

Cllr. Pate said that the youth club was asking for £7,540 to fund further sessions. Unfortunately the committee could not make a grant for wage and employment costs and the size of the request would decimate the grants budget. It would also commit the Council to significant future spending which it was not empowered to do. Cllr. Medlyn was opposed to this request because there was not any significant involvement of local young people from the village and Cllr. Pledger said that there had been no advertising of the facility in the community. She suggested a possible £1,000 grant might be useful in order that the youth club could establish better links with young people outside of the RAF base but an exploratory visit to the facility by three members earlier in the week had established that a smaller token grant would be of no real benefit to the club.

After discussion members unanimously agreed that the problems associated with this request were too large to be overcome and a recommendation that no grant should be offered would be made to full Council.

6. Request for a grant for help with the car park from Albrighton Sports and Social Club.

Cllr. Medlyn expressed anxiety over the possible closure of the Sports and Social Club car park to parents bringing their children to school and the implications it held for the safety of the pupils. Several members of the committee felt that the application was unclear and no precise sum had been requested. Cllr. Pledger felt that if there was an issue with regard to parents parking their cars on a private facility the matter should be taken up with the school. Members agreed that the request was inappropriate and no grant would be made but guidance on children's safety would be offered.

7. Request for a donation for staff training from Shifnal Live at Home.

Members of the committee unanimously agreed to recommend paying the full fees of the first aid training for two new members of staff at a total cost of £300.

8. Any other business.

There was no other business.

9. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting of the Grants Committee would take place on 18th June 2015 at 6.30 pm in the Red House.

Signed.....Date.....
Chair