

Brief notes from the parish council 12 April 2018

Public session. There was detailed discussion of the plan to erect a small industrial unit on land adjacent to Warren Farm. This is to replace the barn built only a year ago.

The question of charging the football club to use the pavilion is ongoing. Stoke Rovers presented their accounts to show how funds are spent year on year.

A resident opposite the village hall is concerned by the noise continuing into the early hours of the morning, when parties are booked in the hall. The hall committee are to be asked to alert neighbours of such bookings in advance.

Local councillors reports: Mendip Council now has commercial interests in two business projects out of county. MDC are considering negotiating the raising of funds through a ticket levy at the Glastonbury festival to compensate for the upheaval that the event brings with it.

Cookswood Retreat: The parish council still opposes the new application by Cookswood. The move towards housing units and away from holiday cabins, though apparently encouraged by the case officer, is challenged.

Planning: The parish council recommended approval of the plan to demolish an old extension to a cottage at East End and then rebuild as new. The p.c. recommended refusal of the application to redevelop the barn next to Warren Farm as an industrial unit. Though it does not fall foul of planning guidelines, it is not an appropriate use of this rural space.

Pavilion: Wainwright's trustees have asked about the colour scheme for the new roof to be erected this summer. The overwhelming view was that it should be anthracite grey.

Cemetery fees have been reviewed by the p.c.c.

Millennium wood: Public liability insurance is now in place. The application for a grant for hedge laying is largely complete.

Defibrillator: Apart from improving the porch lighting for the village hall, the box and equipment is ready to install.

The village stream: It is not clear how much the conduits under the road could be eroded by the stream's flow. The present volume of water may be slowly affecting the structures.

Cheques for authorisation: Cheques were signed for the parish website, the burial clerk's salary, the cleaning of the Lychgate, the parish clerk's salary and administration costs, the burial ground's green waste bin, the mole catcher, grass cutting, Somerset Playing Association annual fee, pavilion insurance, and EDF street lighting.

Date of the next meeting and Annual Parish meeting 10 May

Plant and Cake Sale to be held at the Church on Saturday May 12th 2018, from 10a.m. to 12.30p.m.



Leigh on Mendip Open Gardens and Heritage Trail - Sunday 20 May 11am to 4.30pm. Visit our village Open Gardens and discover the heritage buildings and their associated families. Refreshments – delicious cream teas at the Old Vicarage and light lunches. Plants for sale. Car transport available for those with limited mobility. Tickets £5 on the day for entry to all gardens from Memorial Hall BA3 5QH. Details: Graham 01373 812889. Proceeds to Friends of Leigh Church supporting the repair, conservation and community use of St Giles church. (FOLC Reg. charity no. 1174913)