

COTTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Community and Leisure Facilities Committee Minutes

Held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 17th March 2015 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Morris (Chair), Berenger, Young and Terry Keeble, Alan Raven, Andy Ward

- 15L/038. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – apologies accepted from Cllrs Collier (personal), Leeks (personal), Mudd (sick) and Richards (holiday)
- 15L/039. Public participation – Standing Orders to be suspended** – no public present.
- 15L/040. To accept Declarations of Interest** - To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. None received.
- 15L/041. Minutes** - Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 17th February 2015 be signed as a correct record. **RESOLVED.**
- 15L/042. Reports**
- **Clerk** – report circulated prior to the meeting to highlight matters on agenda & update on matters arising since last meeting. Request received from Rev Coffee asking permission to put a banner on the village green. This is a non-profit event so permission granted. Cllr Young asked for an update on the situation regarding the rugby club. Rascals requests have been agreed but Renegades are on hold until both the changing rooms and drainage has been sorted.
 - **Playground safety** – report circulated prior to the meeting
- 15L/043. New skatepark** – To receive an update on the project – Cllrs Berenger outlined. The UKPN cheque has been sent and work will start in the next 4-6 weeks. The cable will be laid in a trench dug by Wheelscape, who have given a provisional start date of mid-April. £22.5k is on the way from WREN (50% of the grant). Clerk to contact Bar Hill PC again to see if still interested in purchasing the old equipment. Cllr Berenger has spoken to the users re. setting up a wheeled sports club and this is in hand. We need to consider an opening ceremony and Wheelscape may be able to assist with this.
- 15L/044. Changing rooms** – To receive an update on the project – Cllrs Morris outlined. There have been a few ongoing logistical matters relating to the LPG tank. We are talking to Durman Stearn regarding the road finishing which is currently quite rough. Getting a quote for tarmac and considering a few additional car parking spaces. Emergency vehicle access via the site has been sorted for the sports clubs. We've received our first invoice. Have already received £36k from SCDC with further grant monies on the way. Terry highlighted that there are some issues with site security (building blocks have been thrown onto the pitches). Need to monitor this.
- 15L/045. Green waste at the Rec** – To consider how best to dispose of grass cuttings/clippings – Clerk outlined. Cllr Berenger suggested installing a compost bin and it was proposed that it was located on the allotments. Clerk to ask Cllr Mudd to speak to allotment holders.
- 15L/046. Village Hall working party** – To receive an update on plans to date – Cllrs Berenger outlined. Cllr Morris has come up with a potential revenue model. There may be some grants available for renewables. The plans need to be put to full Council and floated to the village + a business plan needs to be produced. Possibly look at a village DIY SOS and get local tradesmen involved with the project. The working party will meet before the next full Council meeting to get more specific ideas together – comments welcome.
- 15L/047. CALF projects 2015/16** – To consider specific projects under the CALF budget for 2015/16 – Cllr Morris outlined. Gym equipment – Tenison Manor suggested as an alternative location for a 'pocket park'. Would bring the equipment to residents rather than the other way round + the residential location could reduce vandalism. Need to compile shopping list of items. Bike trail – Morgan Sindall have already suggested painting lines on the new changing room access road.

Would need to consider safety aspects. Andy pointed out that the existing road towards the bowls club is already used informally in this manner. Agreed that it would need adequate signage to warn of learner cyclists + a gate. Circular walk – Clerk liaising with Rambling Club re. grant. It was suggested that we change the current policy of no dogs on the rec. Already get a lot on leads during football games. Would need to provide dog bins. Add to full Council agenda. Skatepark access road – consider a purpose built path and there is some S106 money that we could use for this project. 3rd field drainage – pursue after speaking to the Renegades.

15L/048. WARG Field – To consider use of S106 monies for the enhancement of the field - Cllr Morris outlined. It has already been agreed to keep the field for wildlife use, therefore requiring minimal maintenance. The field is very wet so may only be moderately used; this is a concern vs the amount needed to be spent on fencing etc. Cllr Berenger suggested hedging as an alternative which would also be more conducive to wildlife. Clerk to investigate hedge grants.

15L/049. Matters for consideration at the next meeting – defibrillator (Andy Ward)

15L/050. Dates of next meetings – 16th April 2015

15L/051. Close of Meeting – 8.32pm.

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____