

## Community and Leisure Facilities Committee Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs Wilson (Chair), Henderson, Hewitt, Morris, Stewart, Louise Cooke (tennis), Liz Dall'Aglio (CoJags), Andrew King (groundsman), Karl Miles (Colts), Eddie Murphy (rugby), Sarah Tyler (CoJags), Ian Stuchbury (CUFC) and the Clerk.

**In attendance:** 1 member of the public

**20L/028. Election of Chairman** – to elect a Chair for the Committee. Cllr Wilson wishes to stand down as Chair. Resolution that Cllr Hewitt take the CALF Chair (from the next meeting). Proposed Cllr Wilson and seconded by Cllr Stewart. **RESOLVED.**

**20L/029. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – apologies accepted from Mr Raven.

**20L/030. Public participation** – no questions at this stage.

**20L/031. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – Cllr Morris declared a financial interest in the skatepark and will take no part in voting on item 20L/035.

**20L/032. Minutes** – Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 be signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Hewitt and seconded by Cllr Morris. **RESOLVED.** Cllr Jones arrived 7.35pm.

### **20L/033. Reports**

- **Clerk report** – Report noted. The toddler playground reinstatement has been brought forward to 1<sup>st</sup> June. SEH French are undertaking trenching works around the skatepark from tomorrow and the area will be cordoned off accordingly. They will also be repairing the drainage at the skatepark. Groundsman now has means to water the plants under the village sign. New apple trees are being watered by Cllr Hewitt. Two hand sanitizer dispensers have been ordered – one for the tennis courts and one for the skatepark. Issue with oak tree on BGW; too big for the location and requires tree surgeon to assess. Tennis court risk assessment has been completed. Discussion regarding whether to review usage of the courts – currently restricted to only one court being used at a time.
- **Health & Safety reports** – Report noted. Slide step to be repaired w/c 1<sup>st</sup> June.
- **Major developments** – Report noted. The This Land application is the one that will affect CALF the most. Have already gone through their reserved matters application informally to say how it doesn't comply with our Neighbourhood Plan. Discussion regarding when the application will formally be decided. Cllr Morris ran through the early years funding agreement arrangements.
- **Village Hall & Nursery update** – Report noted. Regarding Ladybirds refurbishment we still need someone to take responsibility for drawing up a list of what work needs doing.
- **Youth report** – Report noted.
- **Tennis user figures** – Report noted. The ideal would be to have 3 all weather courts with a lease from the Parish Council. Quote for 2 courts is £100k and will chase costs for 3<sup>rd</sup> court. However it would be possible to fit 3 netball courts into 4 tennis courts (would need floodlighting.) Noted that the This Land development is key. Netball representatives reported that the only decent courts in Cambridgeshire are at Netherhall. CoJags currently have 80 members ranging from U12's to over 50's plus a link to the primary school. Reported that Impington courts have been deemed unplayable by All England. Background given on lack of netball facilities in Cambridgeshire compared to the rest of the eastern region. It was confirmed that the changing rooms in the Pavilion are designed to be multi-sport and subject to a rota it would be possible for other clubs to use them. Once the This Land reserved matters application is finalised we need to get a professional plan drawn up and proper costings of what

would be possible on our site. NB: need to take traffic movements into account. Netball representatives to check what grant sources are available. Mr King was thanked for his work on the tennis courts and he confirmed that he's still maintaining them. Discussion regarding ongoing funding for court maintenance.

**20L/035. Re-opening of skatepark** – consider re-opening of skate park subject to current government guidelines – Item brought forward for the benefit of resident. The Clerk outlined the report. Given that there is construction work happening from 20<sup>th</sup> May until the end of the week (including repairs to the skatepark drainage) the earliest it could potentially open is Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Discussion regarding policing, gatherings, social distancing etc. RFO is checking the insurance liabilities. Standing Orders suspended 8.35pm. Resident 1 said that most skaters won't skate side by side and he hoped that people would adhere to the guidelines when standing around. It will get busier, especially during school holidays. Cllr suggestion not to formally announce that the skatepark is open so that there is a more gradual re-opening to discourage large gatherings. Resolution to re-open the skatepark from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May, including the installation of more prominent signage detailing Skatepark England guidance. Proposed Cllr Wilson and seconded by Cllr Hewitt. **RESOLVED**. Standing Orders reinstated 8.40pm. Resident 1 left the meeting.

**20L/034. 2020/21 budget** – Consider implications of reduced budget due to lower income and increased costs due to COVID-19 – Cllr Morris ran through the report and outlined the current issues of loss of income compared to what was budgeted for. We have already been pressured into supporting Ladybirds and Kids Club so we are under stress to save more money somehow. CUFC confirmed that they have applied to the Sport England Emergency Fund but are awaiting the outcome. Unsure when football season will start which will have a knock-on to revenue with no income until players return. Cllr Morris stated that the Parish Council wasn't eligible for any financial aid. Mrs Cooke mentioned that Living Sport may have more grants coming available.

**20L/036. Matters for consideration at the next meeting**

**20L/037. Date of next meeting** – 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

**20L/038. Close of Meeting** – 8.56pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chair) Date \_\_\_\_\_