

Community and Leisure Facilities Committee Minutes

Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 16th November 2021 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Hewitt (Chair), Faulkner, Loveluck, Stewart, Ward, Andrew King (groundsman), Louise Cooke (Tennis), Alan Raven (Cricket), Chris Richards, Ian Stuchbury (CUFC) and the Clerk

21L/042. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies – Apologies accepted from Cllrs Bailey (personal) and Hutchison (personal) and Karl Miles (Colts).

21L/043. Public participation – None present.

21L/044. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations – None given.

21L/045. Minutes – Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 21st September 2021 be signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Faulkner and seconded by Cllr Loveluck.

RESOLVED.

21L/046. Reports

- **Clerk report** – report noted. Remembrance event marshalling went well; need to have chairs more readily available for next year. Have received correspondence from King & Co re. possible parcel of land available for the Parish; waiting response. Need helpers for the carol event on 14th December. Cam Alarms have been out to look at issues with false alarms/connectivity problems with Ladybirds. Ceiling contractors have been out to start work on clipping the tiles.
- **Health & Safety reports** – No report available.
- **Major developments** – Report noted. Working towards having a footpath via the recreation ground to the Tilia development. Following meeting yesterday with various officers from CCC and SCDC, Highways have admitted that the roundabout won't mitigate against increased traffic. Looking at repositioning the proposed Toucan. County Assets are going to look at why they are holding onto the land-locked field. Some S106 monies will come to us now that the Tilia site is approved. Need to redefine wording in the agreement as to usage. The size of the land on offer won't be sufficient to develop for further recreational facilities as we want and will need external funding and help with the overall design. The aim is to recruit a consultant to do the design work. The FA and LTA have made suggestions for contractors but we need to see whether we can use some of the S106 to pay for that part of the project.
- **Village Hall & Nursery update** – Report noted. Really need a caretaker asap to take pressure off staff. Bar going well but quiet. Meeting tomorrow to further discuss the NYE event. Weekend bookings are particularly busy. Family disco event was a big success. Rates have been amended. Contractor has been instructed to install the hearing loop and PA.
- **Youth update** – Report noted.

21L/047. Vertidrainage – Consider vertidrainage of football pitches at a cost of £1k to improve drainage – Cllr Hewitt reported that under normal circumstances we would just get the work done however we currently have no money for the project and we need to justify to Full Council why it needs doing. Groundsman has already done F1 and the 11v11 on F3. Noted that other local grounds have recently received grants for grounds work. Mr Stuchbury to look into potential FA grants. Cllr Hewitt to speak to the Colts. Needs doing annually. Work to be deferred until outcome of grants is known.

21L/048. Padlock – Resolution to purchase of additional padlock/chain for Colts goals. Proposed Cllr Loveluck and seconded by Cllr Stewart. **RESOLVED.**

- 21L/049. Skatepark** – consider charging Shredder Skate School for use of the Rec Ground skatepark – Cllr Stewart reported that currently Shredder don't get charged for the use of the skatepark however they do charge their clients. Noted that they don't get charged for use elsewhere. Currently we don't do any maintenance to the skatepark but we're not generating an income either. Resolution for Cllrs Hewitt and Faulkner to arrange meeting with Shredder to discuss use. Proposed Cllr Ward and seconded by Cllr Loveluck. **RESOLVED.**
- 21L/050. Playground groundworks** – Consider quote for levelling of ground in proposed new toddler play area – Cllr Hewitt outlined the need to level and prepare the ground now. Needs to settle prior to installation of equipment in the spring. Cllrs Hewitt and Stewart are putting forward proposals for funding. Resolution to accept quote for levelling of ground in the proposed new toddler play area. Proposed Cllr Faulkner and seconded by Cllr Stewart. **RESOLVED.** Clerk to add to December full council agenda.
- 21L/051. Pavilion ASB** – Consider measures to reduce ASB around the Pavilion at the Recreation Ground – Cllr Ward ran through the problems with mess, drugs and damage. Suggestion to get the outside lights repaired, tidy the area behind the pavilion and remove the bench. Clerk to contact electrician re. lights. Groundsman to move bench and get a quote for a skip.
- 21L/052. Pavilion maintenance/repairs** – Consider maintenance works required to the Pavilion – Report noted. Clerk to send legionella guidelines to Cllr Hewitt.
- 21L/053. 2022/23 budget** – consider items to put forward or inclusion in the 2022/23 budget – Add £1k vertidrainage and £2.5k for tennis maintenance. Cllr Stewart to obtain quote from Tom Wykes re. skatepark repairs and bench refurbishment. Mr Stuchbury to get details for floodlights from the FA; Cllr Hewitt will also speak to Mr Miles regarding requirements. Cllr Hewitt to provide figure for playground maintenance to RFO. Add separate budget line for rec ground trees. NB: need to look at youth club for 2023/24.
- 21L/054. Matters for consideration at the next meeting**
- 21L/055. Date of next meeting** – 18th January 2022
- 21L/056. Close of Meeting** – 9.05pm

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____