WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Recreation Users' Group held on Thursday the 27th of January 2022 via zoom.

THOSE PRESENT / APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Chair - Cllr. Martin Howlett (MH); Cllr. Barbara Bull (BB); Cllr. Clive Rabbett (CR)

Groundsman – Robert Pinion (RP); Colts – Elly Bohme (EB); Colts – Paul Smith (PS)

Also Present: Clerk – Belinda Westwood (BW)

21/11 OPEN FORUM

No members wished to speak.

21/12 CHITTERING PLAY PARK

It was noted that the Chittering Play Park Project has been allocated to a new working group, WPC agreed to establish a working party to manage this project, the members were agreed:

Cllr. Kate Grant Cllr. Adrian Wright Resident Janet Cornwell

It is agreed that the working party will draw up a specification to detail the works needed, attain quotations for the works from three vendors and will also investigate potential funding options. At which point the working party will come back to the Council to make a recommendation for decision.

21/13 RESUMPTION OF PLAYPARK IN CODY ROAD

The chairman reached out to the resident (chair of Addington's residents association) A new chair had taken over the resident's association and had indicated that they no longer wanted to progress this project, although the resident has been in contact to ask for progress on this project. The Clerk will reach out to the initial resident to ask if he has support from the resident's association to proceed with this project, (or who he represents) Should the group be interested in proceeding with this project, the Rec Users Group suggest that:

- 1. A survey is conducted by the resident's association to include all residents in the area and show their support.
- 2. The group attend the Parish Council Meeting in March to make a presentation of what they wish to achieve, and who the members of the party are.

21/14 SECTION 106 FUNDING AVAILABLE

- The groundsman has provided some costings to the finance team for the purchase of new equipment, and servicing of current equipment. The figure has not yet been agreed by the Parish Council as a precept item. We ask that the section 106 group earmark an amount of £10 000 to be available for grounds equipment.
- The Supernova is going to be replaced with a similar piece of equipment. The Clerk to order.

- Where the old halfpipe has been removed the ground is now uneven, Cllr. BB suggests that the area is finished off with something new, the Clerk will ask three vendors to have a site meeting with Rec Users Group to discuss replacement options.
- Basketball court lining to be redone, this has previously been agreed, the clerk to arrange this work to be done. Action Belinda
- The sports pavilion upgrades to be prioritized, a site visit has taken place, and the Groundsman has drawn up a report of the refurbishment works that are needed. Three vendor quotations are needed for the works. Funding these works will have to be from the precept or a loan. The clerk will confirm with James Fisher to see if there is section 106 funding available for this project.
- Tennis Court Fencing needs to be budgeted for out of the Precept. Can the finance team confirm if funds are earmarked for this? To look at extending the tennis courts to make up a tennis area / section.
- The clerk to order material to assist with the water problems running from the car park into the sports pavilion, the groundsman will send the details of the needed material to the Clerk. Action Robert
- Lighting issues on the tennis courts (two lights) to be discussed with contractor. Cllr. CR will meet with the contractor along with the Clerk and the Groundsman.
- Teen Play area project, which was halted due to Covid will be revisited by Cllrs. MH and BB. All play equipment will be quoted on by the same three vendors.

21/15 WATERBEACH COLTS - WINTER TRAINING FACILITIES

Ely from Colts introduced Paul to the Recreation Users Group. The Colts wished to discuss the winter training facilities available to them, they were hoping to apply for some funding. Cllr. CR suggested that the Colts draw up a proposal detailing their needs which can then be used to investigate funding options.