

Minutes of Leisure Committee meeting held on Monday 3rd August 2020 at 7.30pm via zoom virtual facility.

Present Mrs. Gelinas, Mrs Baker Miss Baverstock., Mrs Eden Mr. Lilley, & & Mr Woodhouse. Mr Toone (non voting) In attendance Clerk S Wellerd

1. Minutes Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.

2. Apologies Mr. McWilliams

3. Matters Arising. None

4. Declaration of Interests None

5. Public Participation.- no public present

6. Town Planning

a. Applications: None

b. Decisions: None

7. Correspondence- none

8. Footpaths

Issues that had been reported have been resolved.

9. Committee plans

10. Millside.

Following the recommendations from the February meeting the Committee agreed to send out a consultation document to residents in Millside and Heron Gardens nearest the play area, the purpose of the consultation to determine what the residents' opinions are to the proposal to convert the area to a plot of small allotments.

11. Memorial

Details with costings to be presented to September Committee meeting.

12. New play area

It was noted that it is vital to get public support for this project. Miss Baverstock to engage with local parents and present a first report to Committee in September.

13. Wooded area

Pump tracks have been considered but the cost without grant funding was considered to be too great at present. It was agreed to carry this item forward to the next meeting.

14. Play Areas

a. Recreation Ground

i. Under 8's

Damage to one of the swings was noted and action is necessary.

Clerk asked to order sleepers to replace seat tops

ii. Adult / seniors

No problems- Mrs Gelinas has been monitoring.

iii. Skate Park

Areas in need of repair and cleaning. Mrs Gelinas to do full report for next Committee meeting.

iv. Millside

As per the inspector's report the slide is rusty. The area is not being used. A member of the public has offered to lock and unlock the gates. Members were grateful for this.

15. Recreation Ground

a. Resolved: To reduce the Youth Football club rent by 50% for 2020 year.

This was agreed as the club had been unable to use the area for 6 months due to Coronavirus.

b. Future Plans

A suggestion to remove the overgrowth at the edges of the Recreation Ground was made. This would extend the usable area and a walkway around the open space could be created. The Town Council equipment could be used and a working party arranged.

16. Car park update

- a. Some snags had been identified and resolved.
- b. Mrs Gelinias shared some photos of the new fence from a neighbouring property's land. Clerk to write to the resident explaining that they should not access the Recreation Ground property.

17. Recreation Road

Mrs Gelinias explained the background to the extension and resurfacing of the car park: This was to improve the parking facilities, particularly for disabled people. It was also to alleviate the problem of visitors to the Recreation Ground parking on Recreation Road. Some of the residents had approached Mrs Gelinias with complaints about the road. It agreed that the residents need to contact the Council via the Clerk, by letter or email to establish the exact nature of the complaint.

It was noted that the car park contractors had patched some areas of Recreation Road and that the Clerk had contacted Norfolk Property Services in respect of an additional access.

18. Playground Inspector's report

- a. To consider report – it was noted that there were not any high risk items in the report
- b. Noted that the site visit to look at issues raised had been postponed due to the pandemic.

19. Poppy Centre

- a. No report due to no meetings, however it was noted that the Community Gym had reopened.

20. Pond

Mrs Gelinias reported there were no current issues, BVCG had attended earlier in the year.

21. Staithe

- a. Legal update-The Land Registry has not completed the registration. Mr. Lilley reported that there had been anti-social behavior at the picnic area. Clerk was instructed to contact solicitor to convey the frustration of the Committee.

22. Matters for reporting or future agenda

Meeting closed at 9.10pm