

NORTH HINKSEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE, HELD ON THURSDAY 4th APRIL 2019, AT 7.00pm, IN THE SEACOURT HALL, BOTLEY.

Present: Councillors: The Chairman, Councillor C. Potter and Councillors J. Bolder, L Berrett, D. Kay, L. Kunzemann, A Mackeith and A. Rankin.

Others: Councillor Mrs. V. Carr, and C A Ryde (Parish Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A. Pritchard

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

a). Update on repair of new playground equipment on Louie Memorial Upper Field

Councillor Potter reported that the damage to the Zip wire only required the purchase and fitting of a new a sheath covering the cord connecting the seat to the zip wire at a cost of £ 60.

Councillor Potter PROPOSED, and Councillor Kay SECONDED and Councillors unanimously AGREED to the purchase and repair

b). Update on state of fencing at LM Playing Field

Councillor Potter informed the Committee of problems relating to poor fencing and that Scouts had offered to re-establish the old fence. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Potter;

SECONDED by Councillor Berrett and AGREED the offer be accepted; subject to the Scouts showing Councillors what was proposed.

c). Update on temporary arrangements for caretaker cover

Councillor Potter informed the Committee that the caretaker could not return to work because of illness. The Clerk undertook to consult neighbouring Councils to see if they could offer any and if not draw up recruitment papers

d). Reports from:

i). North Hinksey Conservation Volunteers

Councillor Carr gave a verbal report as a member of the Volunteers drawing attention to a number of trees that required maintenance, suggesting that a tree survey be undertaken. It was noted that the pond would need clearing in the Autumn. Councillors also noted the for an additional litter bin in the lower part of the Fen and if approved; the task of clearing it would be added to the caretaker's duties.

Councillors also were concerned to hear of an unpleasant incident witnessed by volunteers while working in the Fen area and urged Councillor Carr to report this to the Police.

The Chair thanked the Volunteers for their work.

ii). Louie Memorial Pavilion Trustees.

It was reported that some of the graffiti had been painted over on both the Pavilion and the shelter and that entrance door handle was broken and that the Clerk had undertaken to have

4. ANY OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Consideration of ROSPA Reports on Playground Equipment Safety.

5. Councillors noted the most recent playground safety reports.

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5. DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

12/09/19

are consultant, sent by Dylan Evans in late July (the document I circulated to you, David and Ruth earlier). For this item I will do a recap of the report that I gave to full council in July about the discussions with district council officers, Scouts and Pavilion representatives that preceded this spec being drafted. From this discussion we might opt to form a new working group or thin the