



CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE

A meeting of this Committee was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 19th September 2017.

Present:

Cllr G Thompson (Chairman)

Cllr T Hudson

Cllr Dr G Mehboob

Cllr J Patel

Cllr Mrs R Poulton

In attendance:

John Vickery Parish Clerk

Jessica Lydon – Office Administrator

3 members of the Public was in attendance for the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr J O'Dwyer. Acceptable reasons for absence had been given.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr J O'Dwyer be received and approved.

2. **MINUTES**

It was:

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 20th June 2017 (M71) were a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. **MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION** for items on the agenda.

Cllr G Thompson declared a personal non-disclosable interest in item 6.5 as a gym member of Everyone Active.

Cllr J Patel declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 5 as Treasurer of the Cambourne Youth Partnership.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Chairman attended the Summer Reading Challenge at Cambourne library which was well attended by participating children and parents. 150 children took part in the challenge overall and the children received certificates for taking part. The Chairman enthused it was a worthwhile event for the Parish Council to support.

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5. CYP

The Parish Clerk reported that interviews of the architects took place this week. They did not go with the cheapest architect, but one with the most imaginative ideas.

A report had been received from Nigel Taylor:

- CYP youth workers and trustees staffed a stand at the Cambourne Fete and had several positive conversations with young people and parents during the day.
- Following advertising and interviewing prior to the summer, our partner charity Romsey Mill (in collaboration with CYP) have made the following appointments of youth workers to work in Cambourne for CYP:

Jonathan Buwert (lead development youth worker) 18.75 hours per week

Rosie Levine (youth support worker) 22.5 hours per week

Justin Lewis (youth support worker) 22.5 hours per week

- Jonathan is also the Cambourne Church youth worker and will therefore effectively be a full-time youth worker in Cambourne from September 2017
- Rosie and Justin will be working primarily in Cambourne, although occasionally might be involved in Romsey Mill's youth work elsewhere.

We are very pleased that Romsey Mill has been able to supplement the funding already provided by CYP through the Parish Council in order to increase our youth work provision in Cambourne from September 2017.

- CYP trustees and youth workers are very pleased to have been able to work with the Parish Council over recent months in order to prepare a brief for a new youth building which was sent to a range of architects, leading to presentations on Wednesday 13th September. It is anticipated that a firm of architects will shortly be commissioned to carry out the next phase of this work, in accordance with the Summary Action Plan (4.4) in the Parish Plan.
- During the summer holiday period, we organised two Family Fun Days for under-11 children which included craft/games/cooking activities at the Soul Building and also an afternoon with the Wildlife Trust at the first event and a session at the Sports Centre at the second event. Both were well attended and much appreciated by children and parents/carers.
- Unfortunately, our children's worker, Jane Brooks, has had to resign from her work with CYP owing to family circumstances. We will therefore not be running the after-school clubs for primary age children from September.
- We continue to be grateful to the Parish Council for their ongoing funding

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of youth work in Cambourne and for their partnership in planning ahead for a new youth building.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6. REPORT ON FACILITIES

6.1 BURIAL GROUND

There have been no further burials.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6.2 ALLOTMENTS

Allotment renewal letters have been sent out this month. Tenants have until 30th September to return their form and payment. After this date, plots that are overgrown will be cleared of weeds and can then be re-let to residents on the waiting list.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and that vacant plots be advertised on the website and Facebook page when the waiting list has been cleared.

6.3 PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, SKATE PARK AND FOOTPATHS

Playgrounds

Upper Cambourne

Ben Hendry of Randall Thorp is in contact with the original manufacturers of the zip wire requesting them to inspect the faults caused delamination of the wire to determine if this is a warranty issue. The zip wire is still in the ownership of Taylor Wimpey.

General

We were hoping to table a schedule of maintenance costs of the play areas but due to staff absence this has not been possible to complete this.

It was requested that an additional litter bin be installed adjacent to the timber play equipment near the Lower Cambourne cricket pavilion. It was also requested that a litter bin be installed on the bus stop on Lancaster Gate.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and the litter bins be provided in the above locations.

Skatepark

Cracks have appeared in the central ramps. Steps have been taken to restrict use and an inspection has been carried out by the maintenance arm of Fearless Ramps who were recommended by Randall Thorp. It is not possible to carry out repairs to the ramp as a long-term solution. The Council will need to look at the removal and replacement of the existing ramps. The Parish Clerk will give a further report at the meeting. It was suggested that the Community Development Office and Cllr Mrs R Poulton liaise with the youth of Cambourne and investigate appropriate funding avenues for the replacement ramps.

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It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and as a matter of urgency, arrangements be made for the removal of the condemned elements of the skatepark.

6.4 PREMISES

Hub

The male and female toilets in the Hub were renovated in August. Work was carried out by Coulsons and took around 2 weeks to complete. A price for redecorating both toilets is being sought.

The old Parish Office was cleared out in August and is now used by Diabetic Eye Screening which is usually held the last week of the month. It is also used by Cambridgeshire Hearing Help which is usually the first Tuesday of the month. They service and clean hearing aids for those hard of hearing. Both services are providing very popular with residents saving them having to travel as far as Newmarket for the eye screening.

Swing Doors to the meeting room and hall:

A second price has been received for the installation of automatic swing door gear to the Hub and the Parish Clerk will give a report at the meeting.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and an order be placed for an automatic swing door gear.

Sports Pavilion

The new door arrived and has been fitted to the entrance of the Sports Pavilion. The Sports Pavilion was closed for a few days as the door was becoming extremely difficult to lock.

The lift was discovered broken in August. Orona are waiting on a part to come in before the lift can be fixed.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

New Cricket Pavilion

Complete Cleaning have now taken on the cleaning of the new Cricket Pavilion hall, kitchen and toilets. Cleaning will take place on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. The Lower Cambourne Cricket Pavilion has been reduced from 3 nights of cleaning to just Monday nights as there is only a small number of groups using the pavilion over the winter period.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

Bowls Pavilion

One of the windows in the Bowls Pavilion was discovered shattered from the inside. Cambridge Window Services have been contacted and made the window safe until the replacement window arrives to be installed.

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It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6.5 CAMBOURNE SPORTS FACILITIES

Concern was raised that there had been no accounts recently. The Parish to chase these up.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6.6 BOWLS CLUB

The Bowls Club finished the season on Thursday 14th September.

It was:

RESOLVED that report be received.

6.7 SPORT IN CAMBOURNE

There was no report received from Sport in Cambourne.

It was:

RESOLVED that report be received and a Sport in Cambourne meeting be arranged.

6.8 TRAILER PARK

There are spaces available at the Trailer Park and no waiting list. Trailer Park spaces are to be advertised on the website. Simple CCTV has been installed to improve security and Cassoa have been booked in to carry out a safety audit of the site. So far there has been no sign of attempt of a break in and trailer park holders were pleased with the improvements that had been made. The cost involved in subsidising the trailer park is to be monitored.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Sam Corban, 400^o Pizzeria – Proposal to help small food businesses ‘pop up’ in Cambourne

Sam Corban was in attendance and invited to present his proposal.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Committee agrees to the principle of pop up food businesses in Cambourne, and that the Committee Chairman, Cllr Mrs R Poulton and the Parish Clerk be delegated to draw up an agreement.

7.2 Cambourne Raptors Basketball Club – Application for Financial Assistance

It was:

RESOLVED that the Committee offers a grant of £500 to the Basketball club subject to the sight of 2016/2017 accounts. The Parish Clerk will forward information on of other grant making bodies to the club.

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7.3 Sharon Parnell – Woodland Enquiry – Educational Forest stay and play sessions

It was:

RESOLVED that the application be turned down as we had no appropriate land for the proposal and there are constraints contained in the land transfer documents against the use for business.

7.4 Ellie Brooker, Chairman of Cambourne Fishing Club – Request for storage space

Cambourne Fishing Club have requested space of at least 6ft x 6ft, however committee felt this is too large a space, and should be offered a smaller area of space in the tennis/netball container.

It was:

RESOLVED that space be offered to the Fishing Club in the new tennis/netball container.

7.5 Kye Page – Proposal regarding a mobile barbers shop

It was:

RESOLVED that additional information be requested from the applicant and the developers be approached for their views.

8. ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

No reports had been received.

9. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Exclusion of the press and the public.

MOVE: that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting.

10. NETBALL/TENNIS HUT

Parish Clerk reported on the impact caused by the vandalism of the old hut.

It was:

RESOLVED that the actions taken by the Parish Clerk be confirmed.

11. PLAY PROVISION

Quotations had been received for the provision of an informal MUGA, outdoor gym, table tennis tables and accessible swings to all play areas that did not have any.

It was:

RESOLVED that Allplay (Huck) supply the items listed, except for the table tennis tables which will be sourced separately.

12. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Re-admittance of the press and the public.

MOVE: that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st November 2017

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