



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 21st November 2017. Meeting commenced at 20.50pm

Present:

Cllr G Thompson (Chairman)

Cllr Dr S Bhattacharya

Cllr T Hudson

Cllr J O'Dwyer

Cllr J Patel

Cllr Mrs R Poulton

In attendance:

John Vickery Parish Clerk

Heather Nigbur – Day Deputy Parish Clerk

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

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Dr G Mehboob. Acceptable reasons for absence had been given.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr Dr G Mehboob be received and approved.

2. **MINUTES**

A slight modification was required to the minutes (M72) due to an error stating that 150 children had attended the Summer Reading Challenge, but it should have stated that 150 children had participated in the challenge.

It was:

RESOLVED that the amended Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th September 2017 (M72) 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 wished to express, on behalf of the Committee, thanks to the Community Development Officer, Liz Pinchen for all her hard work and for organising another successful Volunteers Fair. Although the foot fall was lower than the previous year, it was found to be an extremely useful event and some new volunteers were signed up.

5. **CYP**

A report had been received from Nigel Taylor:

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

It was reported that waiting list has been cleared and that there were still plots available. Information received regarding the start of an allotment watch scheme run by plot holders from different villages.

It was:

RESOLVED that the vacancies be advertised on Facebook and in The Crier. The report was received.

6.3 PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, SKATE PARK AND FOOTPATHS

Playgrounds

Upper Cambourne Bund pathway is due for completion in Spring 2018.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received

Skatepark

It was discussed that Cllr Ruth Poulton and the new Community Development Officer, Jessica Lydon would work together, once Jessica was fully in position and develop the communication with the main users of the skate park.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and to invite Jessica Lydon to the next meeting.

6.4 PREMISES

Hub

The automotive door upgrades have now been priced and we are pending an installation date. An independent electrician has submitted a quote to fit the extra spurs and electric parts required. The cost of this came in at £320 and the Parish Clerk used his delegated authority to accept this cost.

Our new caretaker Philip Lacey is currently reviewing the Hub and other facilities and will be putting a list together for works that need to be carried out.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received, and actions be actioned.

Sports Pavilion

The Rugby club have requested alterations to the kitchen for the provision of an oven.

There has been issues with the heating at the sports pavilion and this is being investigated. They have carried out several repairs which have not resolved the issue. As a result, it may be necessary to replace the boiler.

It is:

RECOMMENDED that the report be received and that the Chairman and Councillor Ruth Poulton be delegated authority with the Parish Clerk to deal with replacement of the boiler if necessary.

New Cricket Pavilion

The materials have been purchased to repair the car park and work will commence straight away at the same time as the Upper Cambourne Village Green Car Park.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

Bowls Pavilion

No report received.

6.5 CAMBOURNE SPORTS FACILITIES

No report received.

6.6 BOWLS CLUB

No report received.

6.7 SPORT IN CAMBOURNE

No report received

6.8 TRAILER PARK

Currently 8 spaces available and no waiting list.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and that an advert be placed on Facebook and in The Crier.

7. PARISH PLAN

The Chairman and the Parish Clerk will meet to discuss the status of action items under the ownership of the L&A Committee. The action items page on the Council website will be updated to reflect progress made to date. The Chairman requested that all Councillors will need to get involved with fulfilment of the Council's obligations to complete Parish Plan actions and that Councillors should email the Chairman/Parish Clerk if they are interested in working on specific items.

It was:

RESOLVED that all Councillors are to review the Plan and each action item will be reviewed at the next meeting.

8. BUDGET 2018 – 2019

Maintenance equipment costs are automatically built in to the budget.

Items to be included for consideration:

- New notice boards
- Proposal for a Cambourne Christmas Market 2018
- Skate park repairs
- Renovation of the Lower Cambourne Cricket Pavilion to make it a viable asset.
- Extend the installation of recycle bins around Cambourne.

It was:

RESOLVED that any further items be emailed to the Parish Clerk.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Toby Jackson – Regarding Regular hire of the new Cricket Pavilion.

It was discussed that there was availability from 8.30 – 10 am on a Saturday morning in The Hub.

It was:

RESOLVED that the available time be offered but the hiring person be made aware that if a wedding is booked in, they will be given priority, which may lead to cancelling the time slot.

9.2 Karim Niagane – CoreXperience – Regarding free Venue hire for free health classes.

The Council discussed the option of free venue hire and how it could benefit the community.

It was:

RESOLVED that Council would politely decline to offer free venue hire at this time.

9.3 Ruth Betson – Regarding the provision of additional benches on Upper Cambourne Green.

Council have 3 to 4 reclaimed benches which could be used. Residents would need to be approached and their views taken in to consideration.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Parish Clerk would formulate a letter to residents and gather feedback and present it at the next meeting.

10. 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.

11. PLAY PROVISION

The Parish Clerk presented a report on the tenders for the play provision.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received as confidential minutes.

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 – 20th February 2018

The meeting closed at 21.40pm