



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 17th April 2018. Meeting commenced at 7.15pm

Present:

Cllr G Thompson (Chairman)

Cllr Dr S Bhattacharya

Cllr T Hudson

Cllr Dr G Mehboob

Cllr J O'Dwyer

Cllr J Patel

Cllr Mrs R Poulton

In attendance:

John Vickery Parish Clerk

Heather Nigbur – Day Deputy Parish Clerk

Kirsty Empson – Office administrator

2 members of the Public were in attendance for the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Cllr T Hudson for being late.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr T Hudson be received and approved.

2. MINUTES

It was:

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20th February 2018 (M74) 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 Dr S Bhattacharya a personal non-disclosable interest in item 6.2 as an allotment holder.

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

Cllr G Thompson declared a personal non-disclosable interest in item 6.7 as a gym member of Everyone Active.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Signed
1-5

Date 19th June 2018

- No Chairman's announcements.

5. CYP

Please see attached report from Nigel Taylor.

The report was discussed, and the Chairman gave thanks to CYP for all their hard work over the year.

The Committee congratulated the CYP for the expansion of activities for the youth.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6. REPORT ON FACILITIES

6.1 BURIAL GROUND

There has been a further burial in the burial ground.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6.2 ALLOTMENTS

The allotments have had their first inspection. Plot holders that have not maintained their plots have been contacted. Most vacant plots have been re allocated. Crow Hill is now full and Brace Dein has 2 full plots and 2 disabled plots. Procedures are in place for those who do not maintain plots.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received

6.3 PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, SKATE PARK AND FOOTPATHS

Playgrounds

The accessible play equipment has been installed and is already in use.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received

Open Spaces

The outdoor gym equipment was opened on the 6th April 2018 unfortunately one piece of equipment was damaged by an arson attack. The installers are repairing the damaged equipment. The equipment has been welcomed and has already been well used by large numbers of people. The informal MUGA is progressing well and work is scheduled to be completed by the end of April.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

Members of the public left at 19:26pm.

Cllr T Hudson joined the meeting at 19:32pm.

6.4 PREMISES

Hub

The Office Administrator has carried out a review of signage at all buildings and produced a large number of new signs to go up which we are waiting for prices. These include updated emergency contact, safe use of the building, and a new sign for the outside of the Parish Office, so members of the public can find it. The signs are going to be made of the aluminium sandwich similar to existing robust signs rather than the previous laminated paper signs.

Estimates for upgrading the doors and windows to the Hub are being requested so grant applications can be submitted.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received

Sports Pavilion

The works to the kitchen have been agreed with Sporting Cambourne and they are hoping to carry out the work as soon as they have had quotations.

The Chairman proposed if the kitchen equipment is replaced the old equipment that is working is recycled to other community facilities/groups within Cambourne.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

Lower Cambourne Cricket Pavilion

The Caretaker is continuing to decorate the pavilion and is hoping to finish by the end of the month if not before.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

New Cricket Pavilion

Continuing to be well used and bookings have been taken for the new cricket season

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received

It was raised that there was not a community building for the provision of multi faith prayer.

It was:

RESOLVED that an audit of existing space, usage and availability would be drawn up and the need should be established by interested groups. To be considered at a future L&A meeting.

6.5 CAMBOURNE SPORTS FACILITIES

A report was given by Shane Railley General Manager of Everyone Active. This was Shane's last meeting as he has had a promotion within the Everyone Active company. Shane gave thanks for the support he has received from the Parish Council and Councillors. Simon was introduced, he will be taking over from Shane as Cambourne Everyone Active General Manager. There has been

a significant amount of interest in group exercise classes, participation has increased by 10%. Everyone Active has a pledge 'ensure experience is enjoyable and rewarding' they achieved this by 94%. Shane mentioned how the car park is becoming a health and safety hazard as there is limited space at peak football season and on Saturday mornings. Members of the public are parking in unsuitable places and there have been instances of verbal abuse to Everyone Active staff. He also mentioned how the Tennis Club are regularly using their toilets instead of the Sports Pavilion facilities and can also be very verbally abusive to his staff. Shane also highlighted security issues with the existing MUGA. It was explained that it was being used and not being paid for, due to it being left unlocked. It was discussed that the security be reviewed, and 1 key be kept at the Sports Centre, which would be collected at the time of paying and using the facility.

It was proposed that the Parish Clerk will investigate the upgrading of the sand based MUGA and will change and update the security. The Head Groundsman to look at the disabled signs outside Everyone Active which have been hit by cars. The Parish Clerk will also contact the Tennis Club to ensure they use the Sports Pavilion facilities and remind them regarding expected behaviour towards Everyone Active staff.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

6.6 BOWLS CLUB

Email received from Robin Bailey, secretary for the Bowls Club.

"The 2018 season will commence on Monday 23rd April and we look forward to welcoming back existing members and welcoming new members. Club nights will continue on Mondays and Thursdays from 6pm. Club nights are particularly aimed at encouraging new bowlers within the village. We have plenty of equipment to share, we only request that bowlers wear flat soled shoes. Of course, we also very much welcome experienced bowlers, who may in the past, have preferred to play for other clubs outside the village. We are a club still very much in development, but we have excellent facilities and a friendly group of members. This year, for the first time, we have entered a team in the gent's division of the Cambridge Business Houses League. There are sixteen teams in this league, so we are committed to play fifteen matches either home or away. Fixtures have already been arranged starting the first week in May. I can supply the list of fixtures to anyone interested. Matches normally start at 6.30pm so in some cases players may have leave Cambourne by 5.30pm for away matches. For those new to the village, the bowling green is adjacent to the Sports Centre in Back Lane, parking is at the Sports Centre. Further notices will be posted in the 'Crier' throughout the season but also please check-out our Facebook page 'Cambourne Bowls' and the Cambourne Forumley Bowls Sec. Tel.01954 2693 28 or 07711 613559

Any of your councilors are welcome to come to the green any Monday or Thursday. We also hope to arrange a friendly game with the PC staff and ground staff before the end of the season."

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and information about their activities be posted on our social media platforms.

6.7 SPORT IN CAMBOURNE

No report received.

6.8 TRAILER PARK

The Office Administrator has sent out all the renewal letters incorporating the increase to cover the works to bring the trailer park up to gold standard and the GDPR form.

Plot holders will now be asked for identification this is for security reason. This is following training received by staff.

The following steps have been carried out to bring the trailer park up to gold standard;

Vermin boxes in place

Bollard in place

Cable is on order

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

7. PARISH PLAN

The Parish Plan actions relating to the L&A Committee were discussed and the Parish Council website has now been updated with the latest information on every action.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Plan will be reviewed, and the Chairman with the Parish Clerk will review the Parish Plan over the next two weeks to ensure the website is up to date.

8. LITTER PICKING INITIATIVE

The Parish Clerk reported that a community action day is being arranged for Saturday 19th May 2018. This is in association with South Cambs District Council. There will be skips for metal and electrical items to be disposed of, there will be a take or leave it stall. On the same day we are organising a volunteer litter and graffiti event where residents will be encouraged to join in.

The work is ongoing towards implementing the cleaner community pilot scheme.

It was

RESOLVED that the report be received, and the necessary action be taken.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence to be received.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 19th June 2018

The meeting closed at 8.40pm