



# CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

## **LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

A meeting of this Committee was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Meeting commenced at 19:20pm

Present:

Cllr G Thompson (Chairman)  
Cllr A Ahmed

Cllr R Poulton

In attendance: John Vickery-Town Clerk

No members of the Public were in attendance for the meeting.

### 1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Bhattacharya, Cllr A Fisher, Cllr J O'Dwyer, Cllr J Patel and Cllr D Sharma acceptable reasons for absence were given.

It was:

**RESOLVED** to accept the apologies from Cllr S Bhattacharya, Cllr A Fisher, Cllr J O'Dwyer, Cllr J Patel and Cllr D Sharma.

### 2. **MINUTES**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Leisure and Amenities Meeting LA/M87 held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 (M88).

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes for the meeting, held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 (M88) were approved and signed.

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

Cllr A Ahmed disclosed a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 8.1 as a member of Cambourne Cricket Club.

### 4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The chairman made no announcements.

### 5. **CAMBOURNE YOUTH PARTNERSHIP**

#### **5.1 Cambourne Youth Partnership**

A report was not requested as the Chairman was not available.

The CYP have agreed the Service Level Agreement with the Town Council and it is due to be signed.

Signed

Date 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022

## **5.2 Cambourne Soul Youth Building**

The new Cambourne Youth Building held its open day for the young people to look around the building and inform the Council of what items and activities they would like in the building. It was well attended, and we received many responses. The responses are being analysed and the Town Clerk reported that there had been 35 sheets with feedback. Some of these are for more than one person. Ages ranged from 10 up to 18.

Once the report has been completed this will be shared with the chairs group so prices can be obtained.

It was:

**RESOLVED** to receive the report and delegate the placing of orders to the Clerk in discussion with the Chairs Group.

## **6. SPORTS DEVELOPMENT**

An update was received from Owen Baker, Sports Development Officer (Football).

### **Cambourne Village College (CVC) Coaching Academy**

The First CVC Coaching Academy has now been run over 6 weeks, with 16 students in Years 9 and 10. The students engaged well with all course content, 5 of the 16 students are now supporting teams with Cambourne Town FC and are being given the opportunity to run and lead sessions by lead coaches.

The students have my continued support and I have been working with them to continue to provide feedback on session planning and session delivery. We have some very talented young people in Cambourne some who have engaged well with this course, I hope I can continue to support these young people to be the future of coaching in Cambourne.

### **Inclusive Football**

Inclusive football continues to run, we have 5-6 children who attend on a semi-regular basis, mostly every other week. The session is going to change after easter running every other week. After consulting Ryan Kay, Inclusion Officer at Cambridgeshire Fa, we felt this would benefit the children involved as it gives them a regular structure where hopefully all 5-6 will attend making the session more engaging for all involved.

### **Cambourne Town FC Tournament**

Planning continues with over a third of the available spaces filled over the weekend. We have local vendors arranged to attend the weekend. We are also looking to invite local youth groups and clubs to join us at the tournament to advertise what they can offer young people in the community.

### **Walking Football**

Cambourne Town Amblers continue to run every Monday and progress is being made on how and when to start the second session, making sure that we are not competing with any other walking football provisions locally. On Bank Holiday Monday, the 2nd May 2022, members of the walking football team will be taking part in a 12-hour walking football marathon to raise money for Cambridge United Community Trust.

<https://cuctrust.enthuse.com/pf/cambournetownfc>

### **Kickabout Football**

Easter Kickabout sessions have been running, with four sessions in total. We have been seeing numbers of 30-40 young peoples and parents attending the session. We have also seen a decrease in incidents of young people trespassing when the 3G has been locked, with many of the young people attending the Easter Kickabout session being previous culprits of trespassing.

It was:

**RESOLVED** to receive the report.

## **7. REPORT ON FACILITIES**

**An update on Facilities in Cambourne since 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022.**

### **7.1 BURIAL GROUND (Cambourne Cemetery)**

There have been no internments.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

### **7.2 ALLOTMENTS**

The allotments continue to be well used and inspections are to be carried out monthly until April. The waiting list is still extensive with 49 for Brace Dein and 43 for Crow Hill, however there are not as many enquiries.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

### **7.3 PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, SKATE PARK AND FOOTPATHS**

#### **Playgrounds**

Work has continued on researching the appropriate replacement equipment and grants that are available to support the replacement equipment and changing the safety surfaces.

The wet pour is still being pulled up at Great Cambourne Play area and is repaired straight away.

#### **Open Spaces.**

The transfer documents for the next tranches of Taylor Wimpey and McA open spaces have been signed, but a drawing was missing and this has been received and is being signed.

#### **Skate Park**

The opening ceremony was held on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (Easter Holidays) and there was a great turn out.

### **7.4 PREMISES**

The premises continue to be well used by regular and private hirers. Some of the regular hirers still have not returned following Covid-19.

**The Sports Pavilion:** has suffered some vandalism recently. On one incident the glass Sports Pavilion door was kicked in and had items thrown at it causing the glass to smash. A company was called out on the same day and were able to board it up safely to allow for hirers to continue to use the building.

Unfortunately, the same group tampered with the repair and also set off the fire alarm whilst a booking was in the building at the weekend. CCTV captured

shows clear images of who was responsible. A police report has been filed and Phil Priestly is working with the school to verify names. The replacement glass will cost £260.

On another incident, a changing room was accessed, and the thermostat broken, toilet clogged, door damaged and ceiling panels broken. The incidents were reported and CCTV footage has been passed on to the Police.

The Hub: The Town Council have received a request for a booking and wish the Committee to consider if it is an appropriate event. The Town Clerk will give a report. The Town Clerk outlined the background to the booking and the concerns around how it was being advertised. No booking or payment has been

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received and the booking should not be permitted to proceed.

### **7.5 CAMBOURNE SPORTS FACILITIES**

The Committee Chairman and Town Clerk will be arranging a meeting for a walk around and catch up as the centre moves out of Covid-19.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

### **7.6 TRAILER PARK**

The Trailer Park currently has 2 vacant plot and there are 1 people on the waiting list. The 2 vacant plots are being held whilst the interested residents complete the forms.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **8.1 Cambourne Cricket Club**

Scoreboard Proposal

This item was deferred as the committee was not quorate for this item.

This will be dealt with by the Committee Chair and Town Clerk to avoid delay in considering the request and will report to the next Leisure and Amenities Committee.

### **8.2 Local Resident on behalf of the Boxing Club**

Consideration was given to the request to use the old Soul building for the Boxing Club. There is a Planning Condition that the temporary Soul building has to be removed once the new building is opened. There is condition in regard to the landscaping of the area including bicycle racks. The Committee supported the principal of having the Boxing Club. The Committee Chairman and Town Clerk should meet the representative of the Boxing Club to discuss possibilities.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the Cambourne Soul is not able to be used, but the Council would meet to discuss alternatives.

### **8.3 Eco Green Communities**

Benefits of environmental stations on Parish & Town Councils. The document was considered and it was considered that there was no value in the scheme.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the Council does not purchase the environmental stations.

#### **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. 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.**

#### **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022**

The meeting closed at 20.18