

CHINNOR PARISH COUNCIL

PRESENT: Cllr's Ashdown, Boyle, Mackenzie, Sarai and Webb.

Staff: Liz Folley, Sue Atkins and Helen Ambridge

Minutes of the **AMENITIES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held **Monday 3RD June 2024** at 7.30pm at the Community Pavilion, Station Road.

Public Question –4 members present. 2 residents attended to ask the members opinion on a possible business venture for the provision of a glamping business

1. Apologies for absence: Received from Cllr Edwards

2. Declarations of Interest – nothing to declare

3. Minutes of the last meeting:

To approve as a correct record, the Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 15th April 2024. **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the minutes were a correct record and were signed by the chair

4. Committee Terms of Reference

4.1 To discuss and make recommendations to the Finance & Policy committee for consideration when undertaking their full review of Terms of Reference.

IT WAS RESOLVED that a recommendation is put forward to the Finance & Policy committee to include at point 7 *unless already included in the annual budget*.

5. Footpaths, Play Areas and Open Spaces

5.1 Conigre Play Area - Playspace Solution Ltd have replaced the part on the main slide. The rope bridge has come away from the wood structure and needs to be replaced. Playspace Solution Ltd are obtaining a quote for this replacement.

5.2 Estover Way – Wildlife Area OCC Tree Warden has not yet attended the site – date to be re-arranged.

5.3 Resident has requested that council considers the addition of football goals for children to use near the Conigre play area. **IT WAS RESOLVED** that due to proximity of play area there would be a need for further ball protection fencing/netting for users of the play area and therefore impractical in this area.

6. Youth Matters

6.1 Skillzone summer programme – to agree next steps. Cllr Boyle to work with office staff to deliver a full day of activities on 22nd August

Suggested Activities: Street Dancing, DJ Mixing, Cycle Repair Cafe, Balloon Modelling, Circus Skills, Mobile Climbing Rock, Fire Brigade

7. Special Projects & Events

7.1 August Bank Holiday Marquee - Chinnor Pump have offered CPC the back page of the August publication to advertise the ABH events. It was agreed that Cllr Sarai will draft a suitable advert.

It was agreed to get costs for a banner and consider advertising boards at the village entrances.

Friday 23rd August – It was agreed to host a Crafting afternoon the clerk to contact local organisations to see if anyone is willing to run a craft table. Cllr Ashdown will contact a

Willow Worker. Suggested that Local Environment Group are invited to make Hedgehog houses /bughotels

7.2 Public Art – It was confirmed that the planning application has been submitted for the installation on the Bellway Estate at Crowell Road.

The management committee of The Carriages (behind Greenwood Meadow) have agreed their sculpture and the location of the installation. Written confirmation is being sought. Final Confirmation is required from SODC – letter to be sent

7.3 Request from Community Responders that the council recognises the importance of Bleed Kits **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the clerk should make further inquiries with regard the opinion of SCAS and other relative bodies

7.4 Smoke Free Oxon to consider if CPC would like to be part of this campaign. **It was RESOLVED** not to take any direct action at this time but to promote the scheme to the residents.

8. Allotments

8.1 Email received from building control with regard to potential danger of private garage at the boundary line. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain further information with regard to ownership of the garage and more information from building control.

8.2 To confirm that following a meeting with the contractor the Car Park and drainage work has been completed to a satisfactory standard, contractor stated a guarantee and the final payment was made.

8.3 Request has been made to CAGA for a management meeting. Cllrs Ashdown & Webb to find mutual dates which can be offered to the CAGA management duo. It is anticipated that this will take place by the end of June 2024.

Member of public was allowed to speak and expressed her concern with regard to Management of the Allotments.

9. Clerks Report

9.1 Quotes for hire of site toilets for use at OKL are currently being obtained

9.2 The replacement LED floodlights at Whites' Field on the pitch and MUGA will be undertaken soon

9.3 Trees at Whites' Field near the Mill Lane School Boundary are being surveyed. High Hedge legislation to be considered.

9.4 D Day Beacon. Whilst the members acknowledge the commemoration of this event it has not been possible to organise a beacon. It is understood that The Church Bells will be rung, The Royal British Legion will pay their respects at The War Memorial and the Parish Council will raise the union Flag at St Andrews Church.

9.5 CYFC agreements to be reviewed - ongoing

9.6 Request from Village Centre for the council to consider parasols in the pound garden. The members did not believe it would be good practise to own and take responsibility for parasols as it would not be in a position to provide them in all council owned spaces. **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Village Centre should be encouraged to find grants to facilitate the purchase of the parasols.

9.7 Open Spaces Society AGM 4th July 2024 11am option to attend online. For Information only

9.8 CPRE – Campaign information emailed to members 31.05.24 For Information only

Next Amenities Committee date: 1st July 2024

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