

A meeting of the Facilities and Recreation Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs A Lowen (Chairman), G Briggs, A Greenway, D Pikett, R Fletcher and C Seal

**Also Present:** Mrs Julie Murray (Clerk to the Council) and Lisette Barnes (Welton Sports & Social Club)

**Clerk:** Mrs Leticia Cooper (Administration Assistant)

- 21/05/24** The Chairman thanked everyone for accommodating the change of date and welcomed everyone to the first face-to-face meeting this year.
- 21/05/25** To elect a Vice-Chairman  
On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Briggs it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that Cllr Fletcher be elected as Vice-Chairman.
- 21/05/26** Apologies  
On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Lowen, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept apologies from Mr M Hubbert (Welton Community Hub & Library) and Mr T Peachman (Welton FC) having considered and accepted their reasons for absence.
- 21/05/27** Declarations of Interests  
There were no interests declared.
- 21/05/28** Minutes  
On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Briggs, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that the notes of the meeting held via video conference on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 be approved and signed as the minutes.
- 21/05/29** Clerk's Report
- Steve Gibson from Welton & Dunholme cricket club had contacted the Parish Office to advise that an alternative venue at St. Mary's Welton Academy had been arranged.
  - The library directional sign has been put in place.
- 21/05/30** General Finance Matters
- a)** Members received and noted the financial report to 30.4.21
- b)** On a proposal from Cllr Greenway and seconded by Cllr Briggs, the motion to sell the spiking machine to Pete Hudson from Machine & Pitch maintenance was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (5 for and 1 abstention). On a proposal from Cllr Seal, seconded by Cllr Fletcher it was voted upon and unanimously **RESOLVED** to sell the water tank and pump.
- c)** On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Fletcher it was voted upon and unanimously **RESOLVED** to charge Welton Football Club for 3 months use of the grass pitch.
- 21/05/31** Welton Football Club
- 1)** The grass pitch was due to have a herbicidal spray in early June.
  - 2) FA Pitch Improvement Programme** – The grass pitch will be re-seeded during the summer months.

21/05/32

Welton Sports & Social Club

Ms Barnes requested an amendment to the two-year agreement as their licence does not permit members to drink outside the premises and therefore the club should not be responsible for the 50/50 split maintenance for the benches on the playing field. The benches were originally donated to the PC and the maintenance arrangement agreed; following a discussion and on a proposal from Cllr Pikett and seconded by Cllr Briggs, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to remove this arrangement from the agreement.

21/05/33

Ex-Bowls Green

a) The suggestions received were discussed.

b) The proposals from the MUGA working group were discussed and it was suggested that with the space available a double MUGA could be built catering for different age groups. On a proposal from Cllr Lowen and seconded by Cllr Briggs it was agreed to obtain quotes for a double MUGA based on the updated designs (to be forwarded to all Cllrs and the Parish Office for information) was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (5 for and 1 against).

c) The Clerk was requested to investigate funding options.

21/05/34

Play Areas

a) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs and seconded by Cllr Greenway, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to defer the decision regarding the replacement of the baby swing at Manor Park and carrying out recommendations in the annual inspection report until the next meeting to give all members the opportunity of reading the report summary.

- **Ryland Road Play Area** - An audit of street furniture has been carried out and additional bins are to be purchased and installed. On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs it was voted upon and **RESOLVED** unanimously to wait until additional bins were added to check if these were sufficient.
- **Skate Park** - On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Seal, it was **RESOLVED** unanimously following a vote to purchase 4 additional bins for the skate park; 2 general waste and 2 for recycled material. Quotes to be obtained. The older of the bins at the skate park will be repurposed and relocated.
- **Benches** - On a proposal by Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, following a vote it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to purchase 4 flat benches made from recycled materials. Quotes to be obtained.

b) **Skate Park Signage** – a discussion took place on appropriate signage and whether it should include children under the age of 12 to be supervised at all times by a responsible adult. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Seal it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to check what the Parish Council's insurance policy covered and to authorise the Clerk to take any urgent action before the next meeting, after consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chair of the Committee, if the policy did not provide sufficient cover. The Clerk will also investigate the recommended signage for Skate Parks.

c) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs following a vote it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to approve the costs for the annual inspections from 'The Play Inspection Co' for 2022 in order to retain current pricing.

21/05/35

Allotments

On a proposal from Cllr Pikett, seconded by Cllr Greenway following a vote it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to allow the tenants of plots 5 and 7 to place a storage box / small shed on their plots.

21/05/36

Facility matters

- a) Maintenance – none required currently.
- b) The Clerk reported that the scooter incident was resolved using restorative justice and that PCSO Angie Law has organised a litter pick with the two young people caught littering.
- c) i **Usage: AGP** All regular users have returned to their usual slots  
There was a new regular AGP booking on Friday evenings from 7.10pm – 8.10pm.  
**Pavilion:** The Pilates classes have restarted following the lifting of restrictions on 17<sup>th</sup> May.  
It is expected that the Bridge Clubs will resume from September.
- ii) On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Lowen following a majority vote (5 for and 1 against), it was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote of £180.00 from AC Alarms for the purchase and installation of an additional CCTV camera at the rear entrance to the changing rooms. This area is currently a blind spot on the system and is used regularly.

21/05/37

Library & Community Hub Matters

- a) The committee received details of income and expenditure to 30.4.21.
- b) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to offer 4 of the older library laptops to the Government run IT recovery scheme. If the scheme is no longer running to return this item to the agenda.
- c) Cllr Lowen read out the report from Mr Hubbert. The library has now successfully reopened with all Covid19 precautions in place. Monday and Tuesday for book borrowing and Wednesday for IT only. More volunteers are required and an advertisement will be placed in the WN. On behalf of the volunteers he thanked the PC for the provision of new laptops and arranging the installation of the directional finger post opposite the entrance to Manor Park; and for their continued support.

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Councillors Reports

None

Chairman.....

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