

A meeting of the Facilities and Recreation Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 17th October 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs A Lowen (Chairman), A Greenway, R Fletcher, G, Briggs, C Seal, G Thomas and Mr M Hubbert (Library Volunteers Co-ordinator)

Clerk: Mrs Julie Murray

Deputy Clerk: Mrs Louise Gibbs

A public participation session took place prior to the official start of the meeting.

22/10/24 Chairman's Remarks

Cllr Lowen welcomed everyone and thanked Cllr Fletcher for chairing the last meeting.

22/10/25 Apologies

On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Seal, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept apologies from Cllrs Pikett and Mr J Hodges having accepted their reasons for absence. Cllr Hornsey and Ms L Barnes were absent with no apologies given.

22/10/26 Declarations of Interests

Cllr Fletcher declared an interest with regard to agenda item 6 b) as a user of the facilities.

22/10/27 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 on 26th July 2022 be approved following an amendment to minute number 22/07/39 and were signed as the minutes.

22/10/28 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that there had been a Freedom of Information request regarding children's playgrounds located in public and semi-public places and the information requested has been supplied.

A letter had been published in the Welton News regarding allotment provision in the village and the Clerk has responded.

22/10/29 General Finance Matters

a) Members received and noted the financial report to 30.9.2022

b) A discussion took place, and it was proposed by Cllr Greenway, to increase the hire charges for all users of Manor Park by 33⅓% with immediate effect. Cllr Briggs proposed an amendment to defer the increase until the 1st January 2023 and it was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (4 for, 1 abstention) to accept the proposed amendment.

8.02pm Cllr Thomas arrived

c) A discussion took place, and it was proposed by Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Fletcher to increase the budget by 33⅓%. Cllr Thomas raised a question, what was the Council's stance if users of the facilities could not afford the increase? Cllr Lowen confirmed that this would be looked at on a case-by-case scenario. It was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to increase the budget by 33⅓%.

22/10/30

Facilities Matters**a) Maintenance**

- i. There were no maintenance requirements to be considered.
- ii. The Clerk confirmed that the spring was found at the bottom of the steps and nowhere near the proposed site for the bin area. On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Greenway, it was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (3 for, 3 against) and resolved following the Chairman's casting vote to accept the quotation from Home and Garden Maintenance.
- iii. On a proposal from Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Seal, it was **RESOLVED** in principle to hire a skip from Lindum's to remove the accumulated waste items if the skips from Kompan are not available.

b) Security Incidents

- i. An assessment has been carried out on the CCTV system and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept the quotation from A C Alarms to upgrade the existing 16 channel system to 32 to allow for extra cameras, to replace and reposition the existing camera at the rear of the pavilion and fit new cameras in the lobby area and to cover the new MUGAs.
- ii. The Skatepark sign was damaged by children and investigated by the police. The children involved were identified by the police and letters of apology have been received by the Council. The parents have reimbursed the Council for the sum of £240 to replace the damaged sign. On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Thomas, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept the quotation from the Sign Shop.

22/10/31

Play Areas

A quotation has been received to repair the Wicksteed plank at a cost of £1160.00. On a proposal from Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr Seal it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to obtain quotations for the existing unit to be removed and for a new piece of equipment to replace it.

22/10/32

Welton Football Club

- a) Mr Hodges sent a report in his absence. Football season has well and truly got underway and all going well. No reports so far in terms of not locking up or not flushing toilets so we seem to be making progress in that department!
Thank you for replacing the netting on the 3G to split the pitches, this looks fantastic!
- b) With regard to the pitch works, the slow release fertiliser and autumn feed have been implemented on the grass.

22/10/33

Welton Sports & Social Club

Ms Barnes was not in attendance to report.

22/10/34

MUGA & Outdoor Gym Project

The project has started and is due to be completed by the end of October. Lincoln City Football Club has agreed to attend the opening, if they are available.

- 22/10/35** Sports Facilities
 Cllr Thomas is awaiting a template from Sport England which he will forward to the Clerk to be sent out to the current clubs using the facilities.
- 22/10/36** Allotments
 a) Quotations have been obtained from the results of the tree survey recommendations. On a proposal from Cllr Seal, seconded by Cllr Thomas and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept the quotation from Arborez to carry out the work on the trees.
 b) On a proposal from Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr Seal and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to grant permission for structures to be erected on the two allotment plots that requested them.
- 22/10/37** Library & Community Hub Matters
 a) The committee received details of income and expenditure to 30.9.22.
 b) A discussion took place, and it was proposed by Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Seal, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to increase the budget by 33½%.
 c) Mr Hubbert reported that there had been an increase in new members and people ordering and reserving books. The Macmillan Coffee event went well and raised £160 with good attendance from the Welton Well Being Walkers. On Tuesday 15th November at 10.30am there will be a Book Chat which will be a social morning to sit and talk about books.
- 22/10/38** Councillors Reports
 None

Chairman.....

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