

A meeting of the Facilities and Recreation Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 22nd January 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs A Lowen (Chairman), R Fletcher, G Briggs and N Hornsey and Mr M Hubbert (Library Volunteers Co-ordinator), Mr J Hodges (Chairman, Welton FC), Ms L Barnes (Welton Sports & Social Club)

Clerk: Mrs Louise Gibbs

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

- 24/01/22** Chairman's Remarks
The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the year and hoped that it would be a successful year and that the committee will achieve its goals.
- 24/01/23** Apologies
On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept apologies from Cllrs Pikett and Greenway having accepted their reasons for absence.
- 24/01/24** Declarations of Interests
Cllr Fletcher declared an interest in agenda item 7b as a user of the facilities.
- 24/01/25** Minutes
On a proposal from Cllr Hornsey, seconded by Cllr Lowen, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that the notes of the meeting held on 16th October 2023 were approved and signed as the minutes.
- 24/01/26** Clerk's Report
Rota Web – Purchased and installed.
Cableway and Swing – Grant received from West Lindsey; order submitted.
Community Resolution Payments – Two currently received.
Emergency powers – Used to replace the heating element on the Defibrillator case at Manor Park £95.00 and dusk to dawn sensor £43.85.
Damage to football pitch – Vehicle driven onto pitch causing substantial damage. Culprit reimbursed the Council for repairing the damage.
- 24/01/27** Welton Sports & Social Club
Ms Barnes gave an update.
No issues to report currently all working ok.
Food van now parked in carpark every Friday evening.
On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to authorise the Funday. Possible dates suggested 31st August or 7th September.
Ms Barnes would like to investigate the possibility of holding a fireworks display in November. On a proposal by Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to agree in principle, but require more information at the next meeting to agree to the event going ahead:
Name of company proposed to deliver the display. Low noise display required.
Risk assessments.
Insurance.
Information on food stalls.

Marshalls.

Confirmation that residents would be informed in advance of the display.

Parking arrangements.

24/01/28

General Finance Matters

- a) Members received and noted the financial report to 31.12.2023.
- b) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to freeze the fees and charges for the hire of Manor Park facilities for 2024/2025.
- c) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to renew the subscription for 4 green garden waste bins.

24/01/29

Facilities Matters

a) Maintenance

- i) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to reduce the height of the hedge at the side of the play area and Muga's with a budget of £800 plus 20%.
- ii) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Lowen, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to purchase a pair of football goal nets from Sports Equip.
- iii) On a proposal from Cllr Hornsey, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, it was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (3 for, 1 abstention) to purchase new folding tables including two trolleys at a cost of £1,229.15 from Folding Tables and to sell the current tables and excess chairs at a reasonable price.
- iv) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to purchase various aluminium composite warning signs at a cost of £140.01 from Signs Express.
- v) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote to accept the quotation from Machine and Pitch Maintenance Ltd for the maintenance of the AGP for the next 12 months.
- vi) On a proposal from Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept the quotation from Philip Westman Landscapes Ltd for £720.00 to repair and reinstall the pathway from Keepers Close entrance to Manor Park.
- vii) Following a request from a small family fair to bring their fair to Welton in the Summer for 4 days, on a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote for more information to be sought before a decision could be made.
- viii) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to obtain quotations to repair/replace the damaged netting between the AGP and the Muga area.

b) Security/Incidents:

None

24/01/30

Welton Football Club

- a) Mr Hodges reported all ok at present, tuck shop going well.
On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to grant permission for the Football Club's tournament on the 8th/9th June.

- b) Mr Hodges reported that the contractor for the verti-draining attended when the ground was very wet and caused damage so that the football club were unable to play.
- c) Members received and noted the amended accounts for 2021/2022/2023.
- d) On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote, after reviewing the Grounds Management Association report, to obtain quotations for a Sports Turf Agronomist to carry out a feasibility study to investigate if the current drainage system is working correctly, and at the same time investigate the pitch at the Ryland Road playing field and advise on the condition of the pitch. Mr Hodges to contact the Football Association for companies contact details and send them to the Clerk.
- e) On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote, that a robotic mower system would not be suitable for Manor Park.

24/01/31

Allotments

On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to freeze the rent charges for the allotments for 2024/2025.

24/01/32

Library & Community Hub Matters

- a) The committee received details of income and expenditure to 31.12.2023.
- b) Mr Hubbert reported that the library growth has continued with 2022 at just over 3000 and 2023 just over 4000. Promoting the library on Facebook and Instagram has helped increase numbers. The Christmas get together was a success and Mr Hubbert thanked the Council. Cllr Lowen thanked the volunteers for all their hard work.

24/01/33

Councillors Reports

None

Signed:

Date: