



CHARVIL
PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 3rd April 2017

Present: John Davies (Chair) Paul Mundy, Chris Drew, Jim Gillett & John Hobson

Apologies:

Absent:

- 109/17 Open Forum: Mr. Damian Fido, Vice Chair of AFC Reading attended the meeting to explore the possibilities of using St. Patrick's field as a possible home ground for the various teams within their Club commencing the new playing season August 2017. Ideally for training in the evening from Easter onwards on Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday and for games on Saturdays and Sundays. The CPC currently maintain the facilities – the grass is regularly cut and the playground is inspected and kept safe. However, the current restrictions on the lease mean CPC are unable to officially hire the grounds to anyone. It was proposed that the Clerk to the Council contact the relevant parties at the University with a request to meet and discuss the current terms of the lease and if there is a way forward to change them. If this is not a possibility, then the position would be the CPC would continue to maintain the area same conditions as today and that if the Club would like to use the facilities they would do so at their own risk, they would need to mark out the pitches themselves. As there is no official car park, it was made clear that everyone would need to park considerably in the area, the lane must have clearance for residents and emergency vehicles. Any storage containers would need approval before erection. As soon as our position is clear regarding the lease of the land, the Assistant Clerk will contact Mr Fido to arrange a meeting to discuss the situation further.
- 110/17 The Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on Monday 6th March 2017 were approved and signed by the Chair.
- 111/17 Hall Maintenance: The Chair is to gather further information on the extra lighting on the ramp at the front entrance of the Hall and present at next meeting – 8th May 2017. The internal lighting was discussed and it was proposed that replacement 37 watt LED lights be used meaning an energy saving of approximately 70%. The Chair is to provide the Assistant Clerk with an exact specification of what is required for quotations to be sought for both products and the installation of them.
- 112/17 Usage Reports: The Village Hall usage was noted. The slight drop in the month of April was put down to Easter holidays. Although still no meaningful figures for the pavilion yet the increase in usage is positive.
- 113/17 Finance Reports: The figures were noted and for the year the results are positive.
- 114/17 Park Inspection Reports: These have been received for March.
- 115/17 Review/Approve Grass Cutting Schedule for Summer. The grass is currently cut fortnightly. During the cricket season, it was agreed by the committee that an additional cut would be completed on the outfield – making it weekly. Assistant Clerk to instruct existing supplier (ISS) accordingly.

- 116/17 Discuss Terms & Conditions for Cricket Club. The Chair to forward the most recent copy of the proposed Terms and Conditions to Jim Gillett to finalise. This is then to be forwarded to all members of the Amenities Committee for review/approval. When proposed document is finalised, a meeting is to be set up between CPC and Nick Ray, Founder & Co-Ordinator of S&CJCC to review.
- 117/17 Agree the Terms & Conditions for East Park Farm Pavilion. A few amendments were recommended by Jim Gillett and approved by the Committee. Assistant Clerk to make the adjustments.
- 118/17 Discuss Tennis Courts & Hire Rates. After researching other local public tennis court facilities, it was agreed by the Committee that the rate per court, per hour should be £8.00. Signage for the door to the East Park Farm Courts be sourced by Chris Drew. Assistant Clerk to provide the dimensions of the sign.
- 119/17 Broadband Update. Decision taken not to proceed with supplier Virgin on cost grounds. Assistant Clerk provided pricing for another supplier (BT) and it was approved to go ahead.
- 120/17 Review Contract for Charvil Community Tennis Club (CCTC). Contract and points raised by CCTC were considered. Jim Gillett to make final amendments to the contract and then the contract is to be forwarded by the Clerk of the Council to the CCTC.

The Meeting closed at 9:10pm

Signed:

Date:

The next meeting is 8th May 2017