

Chairman: Jim Gillett

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 5th March 2018

Present: Paul Mundy (Chair), Jim Gillett, John Hobson, Adrian Keward and Jane Hartley

Apologies: James Bell

Absent:

- 227/18 Open Forum: Representatives from Freckles Pre-School were present to investigate the possibility of locating a pre-school in Charvil and to find out what availability we have currently. Although there is no immediate availability it could be something in the future we may be able to accommodate in the Pavilion, if the use of both buildings were adjusted. It was requested that further information be provided by Freckles Pre-School to the Committee, so the viability of such a group can be explored further.
- 228/18 The Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on Monday 5th February 2018 were approved and signed by Paul Mundy (Chair).
- 229/18 <u>Usage Reports:</u> The numbers for both the Village Hall and Pavilion were noted and all tracking well and looking good.
- 230/18 Finance Reports: Queries were raised regarding the Maintenance and Repairs at the EPF Pavilion being higher than budgeted for. The Assistant Clerk was asked to follow up with the Clerk as to a full breakdown as to what these are so the Committee has a clear explanation of the Pavilion spend. There were also queries around the variance between the actual figures and the budgeted ones for the Maintenance at the Village Hall, again the Assistant Clerk was asked to follow up and provide breakdown. Assistant Clerk's note. Full explanation of points raised has been followed up with the Clerk and summary has been circulated to the Committee.
- 231/18 Park Inspection Reports: These have been received. Nothing new to report.
- 232/18 <u>Update from AFC Reading.</u> An email was received from Shawn Donovan briefly outlining their position/requirements. It was felt by the Committee that the information received was not sufficient, Jim Gillett to draft a letter detailing exactly what information / plans we require and circulate to the Committee for comment prior to it being sent to AFC Reading.
- 233/18 Consider the Standard rates for the Village Hall. The Committee reviewed pricing from several other local halls and it was agreed that the current proposed price structure for day rates 2018/19 remain in place but possibly to put a hold on the increase for the evening rates, remaining at 2017/18 pricing, this needs to be referred to the Full Council Meeting on 19th March 2018 for approval.

- 234/18 Matters arising from the EPF Pavilion. It was reported by the Assistant Clerk that Barry Walsh-Smith of Wokingham BC had made another visit with a second Contractor to investigate the hole in the floor of the toilets. Once Barry Walsh Smith has received and reviewed he will advise next steps. Assistant Clerk to keep the committee updated. Also, it was reported that the installation of the new water heaters was taking place and hopes to be finished by the end of the week.
- 235/18 Consider the request for a donation towards balls that have been lost/punctured at East Park Farm. The Committee decided as maintenance of the field and bank area is being done regularly up to the stream and with the installation of the new fencing on the pitches, that we have put sufficient preventative measures in place for ball loss and that in this case no donation would be granted.
- 236/18 <u>Decide on the price for a Family Annual Charge for tennis.</u> The Committee agreed a charge of £30 per family. The Assistant Clerk was requested to publicise the new option by way of the website, a piece in the forthcoming Charvil Village News and on Facebook.
- 237/18 Discuss what would be an appropriate lock/closure for tennis courts. The Assistant Clerk reported that it had been possible for Loddon Doors to repair the existing lock, so no replacement is needed immediately. The Committee would like to see how things go following the fitting of a creep hole in the courts as it is widely believed that the problems with the locks are caused when people climb over the fencing to retrieve balls and stand on the current locking mechanism.

The Meeting closed at 9:15pm	Signed:	Date:
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The next meeting is Monday 9th April 2018