

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 8th November 2021

**Present** Pat Sutlieff (Vice Chair), Neil Jackson and Jane Hartley

**Apologies** Hilary Jones

**Absent**

**21/595 OPEN FORUM** - There were no residents present.

**21/596 The Minutes of the Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020** were approved and signed by Pat Sutlieff, Vice Chair.

**21/597 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CLERK** -There were no interests declared.

**21/598 Review the Usage Reports for the Facilities.**

The reports show a good usage of the facilities, there is a drop in the committee room numbers as some groups have moved to either the village hall or pavilion. Assistant Clerk asked to change the colour of the text or boxes on the table to show a difference to actual numbers to the forecast numbers so it is clear.

**21/599 Consider Park Inspection Weekly Reports**

These have been received and no new items to note.

### Other items for consideration

**21/600 To consider the costs of a storage container to be sited at EPF and the possible location of the unit.**

The Committee reviewed the three quotations provided and discussed the possible locations for the container to be stored (Cleveland Containers being the preferred supplier by the Committee). A decision was made to recommend to full council to go ahead and source a container and following advice from the companies supplying the unit that the best place for siting would be at East Park Farm car park (exact position to be determined).

**21/601 To approve amendment (Page 3 – inclusion of point # 8.3) to the Football Pitch Terms of Hire.**

It was decided that the point suggested as an inclusion was not required as it was already detailed within point 16.1 and that instead those the words be adjusted slightly to give examples of property (i.e. nets/corner posts etc.). Assistant Clerk to make required adjustment to the Terms of Hire.

**21/602 To consider whether to erect the Christmas tree at the Village Hall.**

The committee considered that it would be minimal risk related to Covid-19 for users if the Christmas tree were to be erected but had no strong views either way. The Assistant Clerk to check if there is a suitable date when the hall is not in use and if

enough volunteers are able to assist to go ahead. Going forwards in future years to consider perhaps having an outside tree as more of a village focal point.

**21/603 To review the ability for users to light small contained fires next to the buildings.**

The committee decided that the regular groups would continue to be allowed to have small contained fires provided they have requested to do so in advance and that authorisation would be dependent on it being an organised event with a full risk assessment, the size of any fire would need to be small and contained and on a hard surface, not on the grass. Assistant Clerk to made the necessary adjustments to the Terms and Conditions of Hire and submit to the committee at a future meeting for approval.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm