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Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 11th October 2021

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

Apologies Hilary Jones
Absent Jim Gillett

21/585 OPEN FORUM - There were no residents present.

21/586 The Minutes of the Meeting on 13th September 20201 were approved and signed

by Pat Sutlieff, Vice Chair.

21/587 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.

21/588 Review the Usage Reports for the Facilities.

The reports show an steady increase in use of the facilities, the numbers for the football pitches are still a little low but full fixtures have not been received yet. A regular group has given notice at the hall but it is hoped that two other new groups will take over the slot.

21/589 Consider Park Inspection Weekly Reports

These have been received and no new items to note.

Other items for consideration

21/590 To approve the change to winter operating hours for the car park at East Park Farm (7am until 6pm).

The Committee approved the change to winter hours starting on Monday 1st November 2021. To enable access for drop off/collection, each regular user of the Pavilion has the option for the gates to remain open and then they lock after their session or to open/close the car park themselves. In addition the timing of the closure would be taken into consideration should there be an ad hoc booking in the pavilion and adjusted accordingly.

21/591 Consider the request from Charvil Piggott Primary School regarding the relaxation of the operating hours on specific dates where they have an evening hire.

The committee agreed that on the two dates (25th January 2022 and 26th April 2022) that the gates be left open in the evening for the representative of the school to lock at 10pm.

21/592 To review the Metal Detecting Within Public Space Policy ready for submission to the full Council for approval.

One amendment to point # 2 was requested to include reference to the list of prohibitive activities being displayed on the signs at EPF and St. Patrick's, once that has been made the document can be submitted to full Council for approval. Assistant Clerk's note: amendment has been made and policy forwarded to the Clerk for submission Monday 18th October 2021.

21/593 To approve the costs for repairs to the bucket swing at St Patrick's Recreational Ground identified in checks made in September 2021 by Playground Facilities.

The quotation was approved by the committee.

21/594 To retrospectively approve the costs for the annual maintenance of the shutters at East Park Farm.

The costs were approved.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm