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Minutes of the **RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE** meeting held in the Sindlesham Room on **TUESDAY 5 MARCH 2019**

PRESENT: Cllrs S Hanna (Chairman), G Harper, P Fishwick and J Southgate.

In attendance: Philip Stoneman (Clerk).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs F Breedlove, L Wooldridge, K Ross and R Holdstock.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Harper declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 on the grounds that he was an allotment holder and would not participate in decisions relating to the item.

3. PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

- 4.1 Cllr Harper advised that he had completed repairs to the gate hinge to the rear of the community centre and was thanked by the committee.
- 4.2 The Clerk confirmed that it was now possible to access Wi-Fi in the Allnatt Pavilion using the Wi-Fi extender.
- 4.3 The Clerk advised that quotes were being obtained to replace the ceiling lighting units in the Winnersh Hall and it was agreed that, subject to the cost, the project may be funded from CIL.
- 4.4 Cllr Southgate requested the digital version of the Re3cyclopedia app be provided so that it could be put on the WPC website. **ACTION: CLERK/CLLR SOUTHGATE**

- 4.5 Annual litter pick arrangements were in hand and the Clerk would send WPC requirements to WBC after the meeting.

 ACTION: CLERK
- 4.5.1 Cllr Hanna requested that committee members send him suggested routes for the litter pick so that routes could be planned. ACTION: CLLR HANNA

5. PROJECTS

- 5.1 The Clerk reported that the urgent playground repairs were complete. The zip wire had been ordered and should be installed by the end of March.
- 5.2 The Clerk reported that two new bollards to the car park entrance had been installed. One bollard had since been hit by a vehicle causing superficial damage. The foundation had cracked and Cllr Harper agreed to investigate and carry out the repair.

ACTION: CLLR HARPER

- 5.3 The Clerk reported that the damaged CCTV cabling had been replaced. A quote of £421+VAT had been obtained for an additional camera to cover the front of the Allnatt Pavilion and Community Centre. It was agreed that this would not be progressed at this time but would be reviewed in six months.
- 5.4 Cllr Harper reported that a cable had been installed, at a cost of £115, between the solar energy panel in the boiler room and the IT router in the Parish Office. This would enable real time data collection and a clearer understating of the energy being produced. Cllr Taylor was in the process of contacting Solar Edge to enable remote access from any computer.

6. ALLOTMENTS

- 6.1 The Chairman updated the Committee on the meeting held between the Allotments Sub-Committee and WBC on the 14 February.
- 6.2 The Chairman updated the committee on the consultation that ran between the 19 and 27 February and the Clerk tabled a schedule showing allotment holders' requirements for lockers within the storage containers. The response had been less than half of all allotment holders of which eleven requested a locker. Cllr Hanna advised that he had informed WBC of the requirement to provide twelve 3'x 3' lockers.
- 6.3 The Chairman advised that WBC had agreed to provide WPC with an update on progress and potential completion date by the 8 March.
- The Committee **RESOLVED** that the lease on the existing allotment garden would not be surrendered until the new allotment garden had been completed. The Clerk was instructed to inform WBC that a minimum of four weeks would be required, from completion and handover of the new site to when allotment holders would be expected to leave the current site. This was to allow enough time to move plants, tools and sheds. If the handover was further delayed to the end of March 2019 the current site would not be handed back to WBC until the end of April.

ACTION: CLERK

A suggestion had been received from an allotment holder about how to manage weed growth on uncultivated plots by covering them with woven ground cover material. Cllr Harper agreed to investigate where the material could be purchased from so that a stock could be held at the allotment garden for the purpose.

ACTION: CLLR HARPER

7. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The Committee ratified the decision that had been delegated to Cllr Hanna and Cllr Harper, for the grounds maintenance contract to be awarded to Nick Robins Ltd. The contract would run from the 1 April 2019 for 3 years.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee considered the correspondence tabled at the meeting and the Clerk was asked to send a copy of the re3grow compost advert to Cllr Fishwick to advertise locally on social media.

ACTION: CLERK

9. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS

A request had been received by the Clerk to hold a funfair on Bearwood Recreation Ground. This was considered but as there were concerns about potential damage to the ground and football pitches the committee agreed not to accept the offer and the Clerk was instructed to inform the enquirer accordingly.

ACTION: CLERK

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 2 APRIL 2019 at 19.45.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.50.