

LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the Recreation Leisure and Environment meeting held on 15th March 2021 remotely using Microsoft Teams at 7pm.

Present: Cllr J White, (Chair), Cllr M Williams, Cllr V Dixon, Cllr P Burgon (Vice-Chair), Cllr M Giles, Cllr D Downie, Cllr CA Allan

Public: No members of the public attended the meeting

AGENDA ITEM

044-20/21: 1. Apologies – Cllr B Cordery – The Committee resolved to accept these and record under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 40.

045-20/21: 2. Declaration of Interest – none.

046-20/21: 3. Minutes of the previous meeting held 15/02/2021, ratified at FTC 09/03/2021. No further comments were made.

047-20/21: 4. Update on Anti-social Behaviour – there have been no reported incidents since the last meeting.

048-20/21: 5. CCTV upgrade – quotes previously sent to Cllrs; obtain views to be passed to F&P Committee – the Committee discussed these and after some discussion Cllr J White proposed that the Council go with Roland Security providing there is appropriate funding available (the quote is for £1900 + VAT for the Rec equipment and installation, plus 50% of £1550 + VAT for Transmission costs and £32.50 per month + VAT for the SIM cards) Clerk/Admin to check budgets and confirm. Cllr M Williams seconded, all in favour. Cllr P Burgon asked that the details of the cameras already in situ at the Rec are made available to him and Cllr J White before the Finance & Policy meeting.

049-20/21: 6. Play Areas – Maintenance contract due for renewal 1/6/2021 – agree items to be included on ITT – The Committee had been sent the proposed document in the agenda pack. After discussion it was agreed that it should be a 2-year contract, that they remain happy with the 6-month determination providing the contract goes to someone known to the Council and there is nothing more to add to the contract. All in favour, Admin to pass details back to the Clerk to finalise the document for publishing.

Dewey's Lane – Weekly Inspection Reports – nothing to report other than Odd Job Barry fighting a losing battle with trying to keep the Outdoor Gym taped off.

Picnic benches – The quote received from AG&G Timber had been sent to Cllrs in the agenda pack for £120 + VAT per bench for installation. The Committee discussed this, Cllr J White proposed this quote is accepted, Cllr V Dixon seconded, all in favour. Admin to instruct AG&G Timber after this has been agreed through F&P.

All works instructed to SJ Aplin Playgrounds following F&P meeting at a total cost of £1958 + VAT. This item is for information only. Admin advised that the Contractors are currently on site (they arrived early due to another job cancellation so were unexpected and had not sent in the RAMS in advance). Once it was known that they had started work, Admin asked for the paperwork which has all now been received and reiterated that we must be given a date in advance in future. Cllrs M Williams and CA Allan advised that they had been up at the Recreation Ground earlier that day and had seen the work being carried out. Cllr J White will go up to the Recreation Ground once the work is complete to confirm that all is satisfactory.

Pretoria Road – Weekly Inspection Reports – nothing to report other than the fence issues already known. The Cllrs voted to proceed with the quote for £295 + VAT to weld the split in the metal on the upright on the multi-play and this has been instructed. Admin had chased this up earlier in the day and is waiting for a date for this to be carried out.

Request to SJ Aplin for new playpark design including disabled/buggy friendly access – this has also been instructed – Admin to chase for a date for a further site meeting.

050-20/21: 7. Recreation Ground – `

Skatepark – Nothing to report except that the tape is continually being removed and put back up again. The Skatepark remains closed under the current Government restrictions and it is hoped that it will be able to re-open on or after 29th March 2021. An announcement is expected on 22nd March.

Signs ordered for vehicle entrance, entrance to playpark and dog exercising area – Admin will chase these up and Cllr J White advised that the previous suggestion to move the sign to the boundary fence is not possible due to the nature of the LTC boundary fence. She proposed that the sign is moved further back. Cllr M Giles asked that the current pole be cut off below ground level so soil and turf can be placed back over it and a new concrete base and pole is put in at the edge of the Recreation Ground. Admin to ask for quotes from AG&G Timber, Sean Willmont and SJ Aplin Playgrounds.

051-20/21: 8. Environment

i) *Issues for Parish Steward/‘Sparkle Team’ – updates/dates for 2021 and anything to add* – Cllr P Burgon suggested that there is a “rolling” list of jobs compiled that can be given to the Team to make the most of their visits. Cllrs to notify the office so Admin can let the Sparkle Team know in advance or jobs can be added to the MyWilts app now using the word SPARKLE. All the information from the team regarding what they can do was discussed and the dates for the visits during 2021 provided.

ii) *Bus Shelters – reply from Tidworth Town Council and new quote from GW Shelters* - The Committee considered the quote from GW Shelters to bring the remaining 3 bus shelters within the Ludgershall Parish boundary up to a good standard. Coming in at £3206 + VAT it was felt that this is a lot of money on top of what has already been spent and there is no further financial provision for this. As Wiltshire Council are no longer funding the refurbishment of bus shelters and the number has significantly increased, Cllr J White suggested that the Sparkle Team are asked to clean up the shelters as best as they can and if LTC provide paint they will re-paint them as well. Cllr CA Allan seconded this proposal, all in favour. Admin to notify GW Shelters of the decision.

iii) *Footpath 3 behind Woodpark – discuss*. Admin showed the Committee the photos sent in by Cllr J White showing that the fence including newly fitted fence has been pulled down to allow bikes/motorcycles to go across the field into the woods. She proposed that LTC contact Aster with the photos to ask them to repair the fence asap. Cllr M Giles seconded, all in favour. Admin to action.

052-20/21: 9. Agenda Points to be discussed for next month – Footpath 34, Footpath Inspections in Ludgershall, Skatepark Funday.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 1944hrs.

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