

RIVER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Held on Friday 11th May 2018 at 10am in the Recreation Ground Clubroom

PRESENT: Cllr. Dixon (in the Chair), Cllr. Buhlman, Cllr. Deal, Cllr. Eyre-Jackson and Cllr. Taylor

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. A. Denyer (Parish Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All present

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on Friday 2nd February 2018 had previously been circulated. Cllr. Buhlman proposed that the minutes represented a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr. Taylor and all agreed.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

All items on the agenda.

5. PROJECTS:

a) Public Defibrillator

A formal request has been submitted to Kent Fire and Rescue Service for one of their free defibrillators. There will be no further action until an answer has been received.

b) Any other projects

It was agreed that any other projects will remain on hold until issues with groundwork contracts are resolved.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) Budget

Held over to the next meeting

b) Vendors

Cllr. Eyre-Jackson is speaking to a pizza vendor about providing services at the Recreation Ground. This is in addition to the fish and chip vendor already arranged.

c) To receive any quotations

There were none.

7. MAINTENANCE:

a) Groundwork contracts

Chairman reported that Heber Horticultural Services have given three months notice to end their contract. Discussions have taken place with Heber to see if they wished to re-quote for the provision of their services but they do not. They may wish to tender again in the future but not at present. The period of notice will end on Friday 6th July.

After discussion, it was agreed that Cllr. Dixon and Cllr. Eyre-Jackson contact other identified contractors to arrange tenders for the contract. Clerk is to email the specification to Cllr. Eyre-Jackson. A further meeting will be held at the end of May when quotations are to hand.

b) Any other maintenance issues

- i) The tennis club have said that the grass courts are now better since works carried out in the Spring.
- ii) The works to relay paving slabs around the bowling green has now been completed and the area is safe.
- iii) A tree over on the boundary with Mannering Close is dead and will need to be removed for reasons of safety. The relevant permissions are to be sought.

8. HEALTH AND SAFETY:

a) Play Inspection Reports

The Play Inspection Reports were circulated prior to the meeting. The report suggested replacement of one of the cradle swings in the Crabble Lane Play Area. All other issues were low risk and will be monitored.

b) Routine Inspection Schedule

Item held over.

c) Signage

Item held over.

Cllr. Deal had to leave the meeting at this point.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

10. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Nothing further to report.

Meeting closed at 11.10am