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MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD AT 7.45 PM ON TUESDAY 6th APRIL 2010 IN THE JOHN GROBLER ROOM

PRESENT: Cllrs J Plant (Chairman), E Cooke, J Wakefield, J Southgate.

In attendance: Clive Hudson (WPC Clerk)

1 APOLOGIES

1.1 Cllr J Peffers

2.1 CLERK'S REPORT

CLERK'S REPORT as at 6.4.10 Update on items since the meeting of 02.03.10

Play Area/Recreation Ground

Installation of dropped kerbs has been completed. Sufficient road signage is already in place. We are awaiting an invoice for the path from WBC.

WRFC have requested to play several matches on Tuesday, Thursday or Friday evenings after Easter. They are aware of the restrictions on the use of the car park. They also expect to play a few matches on Sundays in order to catch up on the backlog of fixtures. Nick Robins has been instructed to start work on the drainage improvements to the playing surface – weather permitting.

Southern Gas Networks have today started the work to replace gas pipes on Mole Road.

Work is expected to last for 12 weeks. They have visited the site and agreed where to place their container.

Pavilion

The tripping of the electrical circuits in the Pavilion has continued. Binfield Electrical have attended several times. They believe they have now identified the circuit on which the problem is occurring. They are proposing to come in later this week to try to identify the fault and make repairs.

The Caretaker has reported an attempted breakin to the garage through the pavilion window. No items are reported missing. The window has been made safe and the Clerk is arranging

for repairs to be made under insurance. The insurance company and the police have been informed.

Main Hall/Offices

The Clerk has purchased a replacement urn for the Community Centre.

Allotments

Nick Robins has cleared plots 66&67 and removed the tree stump on plot 13.

The Committee asked the Clerk to investigate whether Nick Robins can also remove the small tree on plot 13.

ACTION: Clerk

Reports have been received of vandalism to sheds on the allotments on 14 March 2010. The Clerk has reported this to the police.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 none

4 R & A BUDGET

4.1 To discuss the current budgetary position

The Clerk presented a summary of the current budgetary position. The Clerk reported that Nick Robins had rolled the football pitches at the request of WRFC. This rolling would also act as the first part of the extra drainage works to be undertaken on the field this spring.

5 REFERRALS FROM COUNCIL AND OTHER COMMITTEES

5.1 none

6 ALLOTMENTS

6.1 Cllrs Plant and Wakefield and the Clerk had visited the allotments at the end of March. They have identified six plots which have not been satisfactorily tended over the winter. The Clerk will write to the ploholders concerned. Plot 45, although some work has been done to the soil, still has excess rubbish on the plot. The Clerk will write to say the rubbish must be removed.

ACTION: Clerk

The Committee noted that plot 66 has been allocated. Plot 67, although cleared, may be more difficult to work.

6.2 The Clerk was asked to contact WBC to reiterate WPC's interest in extending its allotment holding.

ACTION: Clerk

7 UPDATES ON VARIOUS PROJECTS

7.1 The Pavilion Cafe:

7.1.1 The Committee discussed the initial progress of the project and the request for the use of storage space for goods and a freezer, and the installation of a small amount of plumbing for a coffee machine. The hirers propose to instal a serving bar in the hall

part of the pavilion. The Committee noted that the WBC Senior Food Safety Officer had visited the pavilion and given her approval. The hirers are to contact WRFC regarding supplying refreshments on Saturday mornings during the football season.

- 7.1.2** The committee discussed possible charges for the hire of the pavilion as a café. The Committee expressed its support for the concept of a café as a Community Facility and **RECOMMENDED** that a 2 year contract be offered which will contain a fixed component to cover costs and a variable percentage component based on turnover, and that R&A be given the authority to finalise the contract.

8 LITTER PICK 2010

- 8.1** The Committee discussed the Litter Pick held on Sunday 21 March. About 30 people had helped with the litter pick and 32 bags of rubbish had been collected. This was less than last year and may have been the result of a combination of the earlier date of the litter pick, the change of meeting point and the holding of Sports Aid that weekend.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

- 9.1** item 2; The Committee noted the baiting schedule for the allotments.

item 3; The Clerk confirmed that the current 'old people crossing' signs on Mole Road were adequate to cover the new crossing to the Recreation Ground.

Item5; The Clerk summarised the ARD report and confirmed that he will be talking to Nick Robins to try to establish a more permanent solution to minor trip hazards in the play area. **ACTION: Clerk**

10 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

- 10.1** Discussions with Lord Harris Court regarding access to the pool table have been put on hold temporarily whilst AVC looks into repairs to the pool table. The Clerk will consider the best way to mark the pool cues as WPC property. **ACTION: Clerk**

- 10.2** The Clerk confirmed that the bar area of the Community Centre will be used as the Polling Station for the elections on 6 May 2010. The regular hirers of the Community Centre have been informed.

11 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 11.1** The next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee will be held on **Tuesday 4th May 2010** at 7.45 p.m. in the John Grobler Room.

The meeting finished at 8.53p.m.

APPENDIX 1

Correspondence received prior to the issue of the agenda for the meeting of 6 April 2010

- 1 Landscape & Amenity magazine, February 2010
- 2 Berkshire Pest Control, site visits for 2010/11
- 3 Chris Baguley WBC; confirmation of adequacy of signage for dropped kerbs on Mole Road
- 4 Community Centre not required for dog socialisation classes
- 5 ARD inspection report; March 2010
- 6 Berkshire Pest Control; confirmation of March baiting at allotments
- 7 SMS Environmental; Notification of advance dates for legionella testing 2010/11
- 8 Lumalite; festive lighting catalogue
- 9 Nick Robins; confirms removal of stump on plot 13
- 10 Landscape & Amenity magazine, March 2010
- 11 SLCC Managing Allotments; change of dates, now 12 April 2010

Correspondence received since the issue of the agenda for the meeting of 6 April 2010

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