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Minutes of the EXTRAORDINARY meeting of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the Winnersh Community Centre on Monday 3 AUGUST 2020 at 18.00.

PRESENT: Cllrs L. Wooldridge (Chairman); S. Hanna; P. Fishwick; J. Southgate.

IN ATTENDANCE: Philip Stoneman (Clerk).

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr A. Greenwood and Cllr A. Caston.
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None
- 3 COVID-19:
- 3.1 The committee considered the government guidance for the re-opening of community centres and discussed how that could be applied to the Winnersh Hall, Sindlesham Room, Allnatt Pavilion and John Grobler Room.
- 3.2 The consensus was to prepare for re-opening the facilities in September but to be ready for any increase in the infection rate locally (a rise in the 'R' rate) and to respond as necessary.
- 3.3 The Clerk explained that he would be liaising with all regular hirers to establish what plans they had for returning and re-starting their activities.
- 3.4 The following actions were agreed:-
 - 3.4.1 Develop risk assessments for each space/activity;
 - 3.4.2 Look to re-open on a phased basis starting with the Winnersh Hall, Sindlesham Room, Allnatt Pavilion and finally the John Grobler Room;
 - 3.4.3 Some tentative bookings could be taken from regular/casual hirers, but these would not be confirmed until the Council was satisfied that events such as children's parties could be run safely, and this would be kept under review;
 - 3.4.4 Purchase equipment including a chemical disinfectant fogging machine, wall mounted hand sanitisers, signs and PPE equipment for the caretakers;

- 3.4.5 Provide uniform/clothing for staff so that they were easily identifiable as parish council employees;
- 3.4.6 Review hire agreements to reflect the changes to terms & conditions;
- 3.4.7 Review hiring charges, taking into account the financial impact on the council and hirers;
- 3.4.8 Remove all non-essential items from publicly accessible spaces including leaflets/racks, pictures etc.
- 3.5 The committee **RESOLVED** to consider progress at the next meeting on the 1st September and, subject to suitable measures being in place, groups/activities would be invited to return during the second week of September.

4 OUTDOOR GYM:

- 4.1 The committee looked at the location for the outdoor gym and agreed that a footpath linking the safety surface and the car park would not be necessary at this stage. However, this would be kept under review when the new facility was in place.
- 5 MATTERS CONSIDERED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN: None
- 6 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2020 at 19:30

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.15.