



## **Winnersh Parish Council**

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Minutes of the **RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE** meeting held at the Winnersh Community Centre on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023** from 7.30pm to 8.33pm.

**Councillors Present:** Cllrs Hanna (Vice Chairman), Doyle & Nicholson

**Officers:** Marcia Milsom, Clerk

**In Attendance:** Ric Tilbe – Winnersh Allotment Association (WAA)  
Paul Hampton – Winnersh Allotment Association (WAA)  
One member of the public

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllrs Harper and Southgate.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received.

### **3. PUBLIC SESSION**

There was one member of the public in attendance but no issues were raised.

### **4. CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk's report was attached at Appendix 1. **Noted.**

The Clerk confirmed that the caretaker would be on site for collection of the litter pick equipment.

### **5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (attached at Appendix 2) be signed as a correct record.

### **6. BERKSHIRE YOUTH**

A written report from Berkshire Youth was circulated prior to the meeting. The report advised that there had been 18 youths attending in February and various activities had been carried out with new activities planned. **Noted.**

## 7. WINNERSH ALLOTMENTS

- i. Tenant moving plots – the tenant has now moved all equipment to the new plot. A new tenancy agreement is being prepared.
- ii. Paul Hampton and Ric Tilbe (WAA) gave a brief update on expenditure to date (£266.86) and planned projects including CCTV & signage, plants for the toilet blocks and installation of a pond near the orchard.
- iii. The WAA had requested permission to erect 3 CCTV cameras and 2 signs at the allotment site as there had been some recent thefts. A briefing paper was attached at Appendix 3.

Cllr Hanna asked if there was any indication of who was carrying out the thefts however it was noted that this could be people coming over the fence or wildlife.

It was **RESOLVED** to allow the WAA to install cameras and signage (option 1).

*Paul Hampton and Ric Tilbe left the meeting at 7.54pm.*

## 8. PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

- i. The Clerk advised that the majority of the original repairs had now been completed with the remaining repairs awaiting parts. The order for the additional repairs had been placed and these would be carried out at the same time.
- ii. The Clerk advised that the order for the new toddler unit had been placed and an installation date was awaited.

## 9. RA& BUDGET REVIEW 2022/23

- i. The latest I&E report was attached at Appendix 4. **Noted.**
- ii. Members reviewed the expenditure for the current year and there were no queries.

## 10. CAPITAL PROJECTS

An update on 2022/23 capital projects was attached at Appendix 5. It was noted that the Facilities Development Working Group were meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> March.

- i. Council office/Sindlesham Room development – a briefing paper was attached at Appendix 6. It was **AGREED** to defer discussion until the next meeting.
- ii. Pavilion House Improvements – a briefing paper was attached at Appendix 7. It was **AGREED** to defer discussion until the next meeting.

## 11. KING CHARLES III CORONATION BENCH

A briefing paper was attached at Appendix 8.

It was **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Council that a recycled plastic 2000mm bench with engraving be purchased to commemorate the coronation of HM King Charles III at a cost of £809.44 including ground fixing kit, engraving and installation.

The suggested text for engraving was “Celebrating HM Charles III Coronation – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023”.

## 12. PAVILION HOUSE WATER

A quote had been received for installation of a water sub-meter to enable water charges for Pavilion House to be passed on to the caretaker and was attached at Appendix 9.

It was **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Council that a water sub-meter be installed for Pavilion House at a cost of £957.69 + VAT.

## 13. MEMORIAL BENCH

- i. A draft Memorial Bench Policy is being taken to Full Council on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023.  
**Noted.**
- ii. The Clerk advised that Mr South had selected a recycled plastic bench option and submitted suggested wording - "In Loving Memory of Sue South - This bench was donated by her family".  
The Clerk had arranged to meet with Mr South to discuss suitable locations.

## 14. BEARWOOD RECREATION GROUND SIGNAGE

A briefing paper was attached at Appendix 10.

It was **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Council that 3 signs be purchased and installed at Bearwood Recreation Ground at the 3 pedestrian entrance points: from the car park, from the bridge from Bearwood Road and from Mole Road near the roundabout with King Street Lane/Bearwood Road. The Clerk would obtain costings.

**ACTION: CLERK**

## 15. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. An email request for improved fencing along the Bearwood Road boundary of the recreation ground was attached at Appendix 11.

It was **RESOLVED** that whilst Members were sensitive to the incident, it was an isolated event and dogs were walked frequently on the recreation ground without issue. Fencing would be out of character with the local area and the Committee were keen to keep the 'open village green' feel. The Clerk was asked to write to the resident.

**ACTION: CLERK**

## 16. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was **AGREED** as Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.33pm.