

Minutes of the Facilities Committee of Aston Clinton Parish Council, held via conference call on Thursday 7th May 2020 at 3pm

Present

Cllr Read- Chairman
Cllr Ronson
Cllr Wyatt
Cllr Howard
Cllr Mason
Cllr Tubb

In Attendance

Clerk E Barry and S Kenny (recording)

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20.11 Apologies: None

20.12 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Howard declared an interest on item 20.17 i

20.13 Minutes of Last Meeting

PROPOSED Cllr Ronson SECONDED Cllr Mason all AGREED and signed by the Chairman to be delivered to the Council Offices

20.14 Public Participation

There was no public participation

20.15 Park and Park Facilities:

- i. Programme of repairs for the park – The Parish Council are still awaiting a reply from AVDC to ascertain if Streetscape are able to carry out the works in the absence of AVI and SAPCA Accreditations. The assistant clerk has requested a quote from Fenland Leisure as they have the accreditation AVI.
- ii. Your Café in the Park – Nick is proposing to return to the park and open up the café using his horsebox for take away only. He will observe social distancing, This will depend on the government advice due on Sunday 10th. Cllr Tubb reported that as he is a PC tenant there is no law for him not to open. The Clerk pointed out that as they would be operating in the park and the park was under the jurisdiction of the parish council, that the members should take this into account. Cllr Wyatt requested that the seating in the café be taken away to avoid people sitting. Cllr Ronson felt that this is too early to open up as this is a busy park . Cllr Mason said providing there were no groups she had no objection. Cllr Read reported that as long as all benches are currently screened off and well spaced out. The PC will ensure he observes the government guidelines. Asked where the horsebox would go Cllr Tubb said this would be put next to the temporary café. The Park Keeper reported that he had spoken to Nick who would be open to any suggestions the PC had. He is also very aware of the guidelines and would not want to do anything against these. Assistant Clerk was asked to email the café in the park with the agreed position.
- iii. Skate Park –Cllr Tubb reported a number of young adults using the park despite the signs put up by the park keeper. Most people adhere to this. The same is happening in the MUGA Cllr Mason reported a group of 7 last night including some jumping over into the

MUGA. It was suggested calling the police and asking them to patrol the area, which is usually between 6-7pm.

20.16 Projects

- i. Tennis Club S106 – this will be deferred to the next facilities meeting as not all the required quotes had been received. Cllr Mason reported that a representative from the Tennis Club was an electrical contractor and could do the work at cost but was not sure if this would count as a conflict of interest. Cllr Tubb said as long as the PC was aware of the potential conflict when making the decision and everything was transparent, she could not see why this quote could not be included. As long as the PC are happy and the contractor is EIC approved. The Clerk will get back to the Tennis Club and ask them to put a quote in with the others.
- ii. Gordon Smith Memorial – Cllr Howard reported that this will be done as soon as the two people have time as they are still working and it will be placed on the outside wall of Churchill Hall. Cllr Wyatt requested this be placed just before the window. Cllr Read - suggested the PC noticeboard should be put back, discussion then took place as to where it would be placed.

20.17 Grounds Maintenance

- i. Pitch maintenance – Cllr Read received a quote for £3,875 plus VAT, the quote is the same as last year. Cllr Read asked the committee if the PC get a separate quote to supply the sand ourselves, the committee said no. Cllr Read reported that grass is now growing through the matt on the all weather pitch this needs to be treated whilst its not being used. Cllr Howard will ask someone to do this. It does need raking again.

MOTION: to agree to pitch maintenance works and approve quote PROPOSED Cllr Ronson SECONDED Cllr Mason APPROVED

20.18 Village – Cllr Read reported that the fountain has been cleaned, however the hedge needs to be cut back. The Assistant Clerk will email Frank Coopers to trim back.

20.19 Events - updates

- i. Colts weekend – Cllr Tubb reported that the event had not been cancelled as yet and will be monitored in case government guidance changes.
- ii. Play in the Park – Cllr Tubb reported that everything has been booked although to date nothing been paid for as unsure if this will go ahead. If this does not go ahead in July, it could be pushed back to half term in October.
- iii. Astonbury – 15th August, everything has been organised and booked although not committed. Cllr Ronson asked if the PC were financial committed and Cllr Tubb said no. Not all sponsorship money has been paid from previous year, the Clerk suggested that the Assistant Clerk monitor invoices for sponsorship money in future. However there is a difference between raising invoices and asking for donations, this needs to be clarified.

20.20 Date of Next Meeting – tbc

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