

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF KINVER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY 2017

Present: Councillors J Cutler (Chairman), Mrs L Hingley (Vice Chairman), N Other, Mrs C Allen, Mrs D Geoghegan, H Williams (Ex-Officio); co-opted member D Tibbetts

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councilors G Mander, J Irving Bell, P Wooddisse and co-opted members Mrs M Rogers, J Glover sent their apologies for the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meetings of the Leisure and Amenities Committee held on 10th May 2017, having been circulated previously, were approved and signed as a true record of the proceedings.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

4.1 CPI Bid

The Clerk spoke to Paul Rochfort re submitting a grant for repairing the Culvert on FP3. This is too big a project for the CPI Grant.

However the repair is on for the bridges staff to look at, but if the Council can offer support / a small financial help it may move the project further forward. This was noted.

5. FUTURE PROJECTS

5.1 Youth Drop in Cafe

Following a meeting of the sub Committee the following notes were taken:-

Members discussed the proposal to employ a specific youth leader to run a youth drop in café. Due to the costs involved, this is not a viable option.

Therefore members returned to the original idea put forward by Mrs R Davies, re having a youth café run by volunteers on a Tuesday evening at the KSCA.

Action points to progress this project:-

Confirm that the KSCA is still available and at what cost- JSS

Confirm that Karen Bayliss would still be willing to run a tuck shop - JSS

Seek advice / guidance from Josh Armitage SSCYS – JSS

Speak to Lucy Cox Youth - JC

Seek advice and information from John Pedley – NO / JC

Ask contact network from people known and partners that attended previous meeting to see if they can help run the sessions? – All

Look to raise funds to cover the initial room hire costs, raise further funds from entrance donation of £1.

6 months trial period to see numbers attending and evaluate the success of the project.

Age group target 11 to 16

Talk to experience youth volunteer working with group at Wollescote S'B Andy Taylor - JC

The Clerk reported that she had spoken with the Chairman of the KSCA and she had agreed that a Tuesday evening is still available, they would be able to run a tuck shop for the purchase of soft drinks and sweets etc. The PCSO's would also try to be in attendance and work from this location on a Tuesday to engage with the youths further. The cost is £8 per hour for the bar area, which is ideal for a café as it has tables and chairs already in situ. The KSCA have superfast broadband which would be available to be used.

Councillor J Cutler proposed and Councillor N Other seconded to **Recommend** to the Parish Council / Finance Committee that a Youth Café is set up to run on a Tuesday evening at the KSCA between 7-9pm for a trial 6 month period. The facility will be run by volunteers with the initial entry cost being free of Charge, and the cost to the council would be £400.

NB The Committee are checking if DBS checks are required, 3 of the volunteers hold these already and this will be updated at the Council meeting.

This was agreed.

5.2 Youth shelter / facilities for older youth's

Councilor Mrs L Hingley suggested that it may help with the current spate of vandalism to look at providing play equipment for the older youths of the village as the current park is only for up to the age of 12.

The Clerk reminded members that the health and safety requirements for older youth's parks is quite involved, and the key will be to find the correct location.

Councilor Mrs L Hingley to look into this for the next meeting.

Councilor L Hingley reported that she had been to look at Cookley Park, the large swings that she remembered have been removed, but they did have equipment for older children mixed with the younger ones.

However, they do have a youth shelter next to the skate park. The Clerk reminded members that she had told them previously that this is the same as the arrangements at Pattingham.

Members asked the Clerk to find out details of youth shelters to discuss further at the next meeting.

Cllr Mrs L Hingley arranged a meeting with representatives from the KSCA, the Crime Prevention Officer from District, a few of the mums and the Clerk. The meeting took place on Monday at the KSCA. The general area was looked at, and the Crime Prevention officer advised that the KSCA field would not be the right location for a youth shelter they need to be in a more visible place, with people passing by. This is for security of the users and also to help naturally police the shelter.

The KSCA due to increasing complaints from residents of Sterrymere Gardens would not support any siting of a shelter in the KSCA area.

Therefore it was resolved to not progress this matter any further at this time.

5.3 Bulb planting

Members asked for the Clerk to find costs to buy 2500 daffodil bulbs for further planting in Stourton. The cost would be £145 + VAT.

It was agreed to propose to the Parish Council / Finance that 2500 daffodil bulbs are purchased at a cost of £145 and planted by volunteers.

6. MEMBERS REPORTS ON PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS ONLY

The path from Prestwood Drive, by the Pet Crematorium to the horse field is very over grown and needs cutting back. The Clerk to arrange that this is strimmed as soon as possible.

7. COMMUNICATION / CORRESPONDENCE TO THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman reported that Severn Trent had contacted him in regard to the dilapidated fence around the edge of their site in Mill Lane. It is due to be replaced in August. They will not give permission for this area to be used to walk on for security reasons.

8. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Items for the next agenda need to be with the Clerk by Monday 4th September 2017.
Tennis courts for public use Clerk to check if new facilities at Kinver High are to be available to the public when built
Youth Café
Bulbs

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as the Wednesday 13th September 2017.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

The following **Recommends** were made to the Parish Council / Finance are:-

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