

PURLEY ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held at the Parish Office,

Purley on Thames on 5th July 2018

Mr M Bishop (Chairman) Mr B Ayling Mr S Chester Mr R Farrow Mr G Rolfe

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs C Lamb (Clerk), Mr C Moses (Amenities Officer)

R18/13 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted from Mrs S Briscoe, Mrs J Langford and Mrs S Sinclair

R18/14 TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr Bishop thanked Mr Farrow for his many years as Chairman of the Recreation Committee and for his hard work, dedication and support given to him and other members of the Recreation Committee.

Mr Farrow was unanimously elected to Vice-Chairman of the Recreation Committee.

R18/15 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Farrow - PJFC, PFC and PSSC

Mr Bishop – PoT Cricket Club, PSSC

R18/16 TO RECEIVE ANY STATEMENT OR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public attended.

Mr Moses presented a verbal report from the PoT Tennis Club.

The Tennis Club had lots of juniors attending the courts through bookings for lessons or taster sessions from other organisations, this summer. It is hoped the club can build on this by inviting them to the club's open day on the 22nd July 2018.

R18/17 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM THE MINUTES

The Minutes from the meeting held on the 15th March 2018 were confirmed as accurate and signed by the Chairman.

R18/18 PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR REPORT ONLY

The contractor for grounds maintenance was under new ownership, though operating under the same name. No noticeable difference had been observed in the work or service.

Second gate in Bucknell's Meadow - no progress had been made in producing a clear rational for a second gate into Bucknell's Meadow.

R18/19 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Bishop gave a verbal report to the Committee:

- The Equipment Hire Agreement with the Cricket Club had been signed and the £1 hire fee had been received. The Tractor would be serviced when the contractor confirmed a date.
- The Goosecroft Development planning application had been withdrawn and the working group were working to resubmit it to West Berkshire Planning Department.
- The PSSC were planning a Fun Day for the 16th September. Plans seemed to be going well.
- In future, the Playgrounds Report and Grounds Maintenance Report will be part of the Amenities Officer Report/Parish Office Report.

R18/20 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE ON ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. AMENITIES OFFICER REPORT – received and noted
- b. ACTION LOG – reviewed and updated

Mr Ayling requested that the Boules Piste be added back on the Action Log.

R18/21 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE GROUNDS MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

- Maintenance contract work all up-to-date and complete.
- A quote for Cricket Square Maintenance has been requested for and of season 10th Sept 2018.
- A quote had been requested to mark out the pitches ready for 16th September 2018.
- A quote for the deep aeration of pitches had been requested.
- The start and finish of the football season hire period was confirmed as from 16th September 2018 to the 31st March 2019.
- Lower Goosecroft would be available to football clubs from 2nd September 2018 and finish on the 31st March 2019.

R18/22 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PLAYGROUNDS WORKING GROUP

The playgrounds were covered in the Amenities Officer report and no additional comments were received.

R18/23 RESOLUTIONS

R18/23-1 To approve the purchase of a new 'self-closing' gate for the Playground at Goosecroft.

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase a new self-closing gate from contractor 2 at a total cost of £1035.00 with includes purchase, delivery and installation. (unanimous)

R18/23-2 To agree whether to decommission or repair the damaged leg-press at Bucknell's Meadow based on the report provided by the Amenities Officer.

It was **RESOLVED** to leave the leg press decommissioned and removed. The Amenities Officer would inform the maintenance contractor to dispose of the removed equipment. (unanimous)

R18/23-3 To establish a working group to consider the feasibility of a request for the Parish Council to install a Skateboard Park in the Village. A feasibility review would need to consider noise, health & safety measures, insurance, flood risk, impact on staff work hours and any other relevant issues.

It was **RESOLVED** to reject the proposal of a skateboard park in Purley on Thames due to the lack of a suitable location and high costs of the purchase and maintenance of the equipment. (unanimous)

R18/23-4 To agree the creation of a new budget line which would enable the Recreation budget to have a budget code for maintenance work at Goosecroft and a separate budget code for Bucknell's Meadow. This would then be recommended to full council for approval.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the creation of a new budget line which would enable the Recreation budget to have a budget code for maintenance work at Goosecroft and a separate budget code for Bucknell's Meadow. (unanimous)

R18/24 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATED BUDGET 2017-18 Noted

R18/25 TO RECEIVE ANY MEMBERS ITEMS FOR THE NEXT RECREATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Play Grounds Working Group proposal for replacement of wooden snake trail.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

Next Meeting: Recreation Committee, 15th November 2018