

Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities Committee meeting held on Thursday, 12 September 2024 at 19:30 held in Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road

Attendees

Councillors D. Lawlor, E. Fish, M. Hallisey

Clerk(s)

Anita Husz (Deputy Clerk)

Apologies

Cllr Charlotte Smith (the council resolved to approve Cllr Charlotte Smith's reason for absence)

Members of the public

One.

RA/24/147 - Public Question Time

None.

RA/24/148 – To agree and sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 July 2024

The minutes of the previous meeting were then agreed as a true record of the meeting.

RA/24/149 - Matters arising from the meeting held on 11 July 2024

None.

RA/24/150 - Eversley Park play area -

 <u>Exercise equipment</u> – A copy of the quotation specifications for the proposed replacement exercise equipment had been circulated to Councillors before the meeting.

After discussion, it was agreed to present both options for Kompan's exercise equipment at the upcoming Parish Council meeting. It was also agreed that the selected colour for the equipment will be blue.

Action – The Deputy Clerk will circulate both options for Kompan's exercise equipment to all Councillors for review prior to the Parish Council meeting.

RA/24/151 – Fencing removal at Lower Football pitch

• <u>Broadview fence replacement</u> – Cost for both sides of the Tovey Place section of Broadview is estimated to cost of £12,670.77. After discussion, it was agreed to go ahead with this quotation.

• Fencing removal Lower Football Pitch -

Action - The Deputy Clerk will draft a letter to the Management Company and Worthys Sports Club regarding the decision not to take down the Lower Football Pitch fence.

RA/24/152 – Lovedon Fields transfer – update including maintenance, site security, landscaping works, and drainage issues

• <u>Allotment access/parking</u> – A meeting has been scheduled between the Management Company and the Allotment Working Group on 3rd October.

RA/24/153 – Tree works / general maintenance

- <u>*Tree works and tree inspection report*</u> No update.
- <u>Annual Play inspection Actions</u> Councillors reviewed the actions.
 - The Deputy clerk noted that Green Smile will do reinstatement work the end of September at the cost of £500. It was agreed by all Councillors.
- <u>Eversley Park Play area</u> Councillors reviewed the maintenance contractor's responses following the inspection of the play area by our annual play area inspector, who identified minor issues.

RA/24/154 – Ridge and Partners Cooperation

- *Paths at the cremation area update* No update.
- <u>Eversley Park yellow tarmac footpath</u> No update.

RA/24/155 – Update:

• <u>*Rationalisation of bins*</u> – The Deputy Clerk noted that the bin rationalisation is almost complete.

It was agreed to vary the contract with Green Smile with effect from 1st October 2024.

RA/24/156 – Autumn Litter Pick

Members discussed the upcoming litter pick on 5th October.

Action – The Deputy Clerk will purchase 12 children hi-vis vests, 15 children's litter pickers and 7 bag hoops.

RA/24/157 – Review of open spaces assessment

A copy of the open spaces assessment review had been circulated to Councillors before the meeting. After discussion, it was agreed to raise the variances to Winchester City Council.

RA/24/158 – Hinton Park fence

Councillors discussed the potential purchase of temporary fencing.

Action – The Deputy Clerk will circulate additional information to Councillors regarding the temporary fencing.

RA/24/159 – Annual walkabout of Parish facilities

Councillors discussed the annual walkabout.

Action – The Deputy Clerk will circulate potential dates to Councillors for the Parish Council walkabout.

RA/24/160 – Water fountain

- <u>*Re-opening Tubbs Hall water fountain*</u> The Deputy Clerk noted that the cleaning regime was being finalised, the water fountain has been cleaned and stickers renewed in preparation for re-opening.
- <u>Water fountain at Eversley Park</u> A request had been received to install a water fountain at Eversley Park, as children are not permitted to be given water at the bar of the Worthies Sports & Social Club.

Action – The Deputy Clerk will obtain further information regarding the water supply at Eversley Park for potential installation of a water fountain.

RA/24/161 – Gate between Lovedon Meadow by Eversley Gardens

We had received an email from a resident who had a near miss when their dog slipped under the gate between Eversley Gardens meadow and the A33. They suggest adding mesh at the bottom of the gate and a "Please shut the gate" sign.

Action - After discussion, it was agreed to install signage on the gate and include this location in the Annual Walkabout.

RA/24/162 – Proposal for Youth bus to visit

The Deputy Clerk noted that we received a request from Winchester Vineyard Church who wish to undertake semi-regular visits with their mobile youth bus, either at Eversley Park or another suitable location. It was agreed by all Councillors.

RA/24/163 – Hedge trimming Ramsay Road

Due to time constraints, deferred to the next meeting.

RA/24/164 – Items for inclusion in Council communications

None.

RA/24/165 – Clerk's Notes

- <u>Watercress Way signage in Eversley Park</u> The Secretary of the Watercress Way had requested permission to install signage for the Watercress Way through Eversley Park. They would like to attach stickers to posts around the north side of the park, following the official path along the boundary. It was agreed by all Councillors.
- <u>Amphibian survey</u> Councillors discussed a proposal by the Hants Amphibian & Reptile Group for approval to survey Lovedon Fields for slow worms.

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

RA/24/166 – Chairman's Notices

None.

RA/24/167 – Items for discussion at the next meeting – 10th October 2024

None.

Meeting Closed at 21:11

Signed:	Date: