

Wickham Parish Council

Recreation Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Wednesday 3rd April 2013 at 7.45pm.

Present: Sue Roger-Jones (Chairman), Angela Clear (Vice-Chairman), Justin Gamblin, Di Frost, Nick Guy, Jenny Hollis, Jon Taylor.

Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

- 1 **To receive apologies for absence** None.
- 2 **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** Cllrs Clear and Roger-Jones declared personal interests as neighbours of Wickham Recreation Ground, Cllrs Clear, Roger-Jones and Gamblin declared interests as trustees of Wickham Community Centre.
- 3 **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
- 4 **Agenda**

4.1 Wickham

1. To receive update from Wickham Community Tennis Club (Clerk) **A successful indoor programme for under 8's is running at Knowle Village Hall, outdoor coaching for older juniors begins on 20th April. An after school club at Wickham CE Primary School is being trialled. Easter camps are planned.**
2. To receive update on the management of the all weather pitch (Clerk)
 - 2.1 Management assistance from Wickham Community Centre – update on agreement (Chairman) **Agreement to be raised at the next Community Association Trustee's meeting.**
 - 2.2 Proposal to install roof net to pitch funded through the remaining grant contingency sum for the sum of £3,100 plus VAT (Clerk) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council.**
3. To progress proposal for new pavilion (Chairman) **Refer to next meeting.**
4. To receive update on reports of poor behaviour on the recreation ground **An informal request to plant additional hedging has been received from the complainant. It was agreed to ask that the request is put in writing to the Council for consideration.**
5. To note play area and skatepark repairs and maintenance required (Clerk) **All necessary maintenance is up to date.**
6. To receive update on proposed 2013/14 Projects:
 1. Replacement of 'wet pour' safety surface to Community Centre play area and recreation ground toddler play area (Chairman)
 2. New play equipment to the Community Centre play area – to receive quotes for consideration (Chairman)
 3. Resurface metal skatepark ramps (Clerk)

Quotes have been received for upgrading and extending the Community Centre play area, it was agreed to apply for an Awards for All grant for the installation of a basket swing. Action Clerk. Quotes for the skatepark resurfacing are being sought.

7. To consider request from Wickham Community Association to contribute towards £4,000 cost of surface water drainage works to alleviate flooding in Garnier Park **Refer to next meeting, further information required.**

8. Review procedure for calling off football matches if pitch unplayable. **Procedure confirmed as agreed in Paul Collin's contract:**

9.4 On Fridays before 11am during the playing season the pitch is to be inspected by the groundsman and in liaison with the football team manager and the Authorised Officer a decision on whether the pitch is playable be made.

4.2 Knowle

1. To review maintenance requirements for adopted areas and receive reports of other work required: football pitch, cricket pitch, skatepark, MUGA, Victoria Mews, Consort Mews and Barbastelle Walk play areas (Clerk) **All necessary maintenance is up to date.**

2. To receive up date on resolution to adopt the Greater Horseshoe Way play area following upgrading as requested by Radian Housing (Clerk) **Response from Radian still awaited.**

3. To receive update on proposal to plant a hedge to the boundary of the village green from the entrance to Knowle Avenue to the entrance gates to the village hall car park funded through the Knowle commuted sum (Clerk) **Refer to next meeting.**

4. To receive update on the proposal to site a fish and chip van in the village hall car park on Friday evenings (Clerk) **The operator has signed the terms of agreement and forwarded the necessary risk assessment documents. Council to raise monthly invoices for car park rental.**

6 To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit None.

7 Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available Continue to monitor.

8 Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee

- WCC Open Space Fund closing April 2015, Wickham has a balance of £61K to be spent on sports or youth facilities – response to WCC detailing planned projects to spend the money required

Meeting closed 9.20pm