

Wickham Parish Council

Recreation Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Wednesday 6th November 2013 at 7.45pm.

Present: Sue Roger-Jones (Chairman), Marie du Boulay, Di Frost, Justin Gamblin, Nick Guy, Jenny Hollis.

Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

- 1 **To receive apologies for absence** Angela Clear.
- 2 **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
- 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) **The Club and coaching programmes are very successful. Over 30 young children take part at Knowle on Saturday mornings with the older children playing at the Wickham courts.**
2. To receive update on the management of the all weather pitch (Clerk) **The pitch is fully booked Monday – Thursday from 6-9pm with one booking on Fridays. Invoices of £1,725 have been raised for July – end of October 2013.**
3. To progress proposal for new pavilion – update on feasibility study (Chairman) **An initial meeting has been held with Axis Architecture to allow some plans for discussion to be prepared.**
4. To note play area and skatepark repairs and maintenance required (Clerk) **No outstanding repairs at present. Work to replace the recreation ground goal backstop with netting has been completed in response to WCC Environmental Health requirements following a complaint about noise.**
5. To receive update on proposed 2013/14 Projects:
 - 5.1 Refurbishment of the community centre play area (Clerk) **Work has been completed.**
 - 5.2 Resurface metal skatepark ramps (Clerk) **Refer to next meeting.**
6. Update on proposal to use the recreation ground car park to sell Christmas trees (Chairman) **The car park is no longer required.**

4.2 Knowle

1. To review maintenance requirements for adopted areas and receive reports of other work required: football pitch, cricket pitch, skatepark, hard court, Victoria Mews, Consort Mews and Barbastelle Walk play areas (Clerk) **Fence and gate repairs and replacements are being carried out to the Consort Mews and Barbastelle Walk play areas.**

Proposal to install retractable posts for a tennis net on the hard court as requested by KCBA was agreed. Quote received for £1,180, second quote to be obtained. Opportunities for all sports to be maintained on the court.

1.1 To receive quote for tree work required adjoining 1 Victoria Mews **A quote of £195 has been received. A TPO application was submitted on 4th October, response from WCC awaited.**

1.2 Proposal to install dragons teeth around the village hall car park **KCBA is not supportive of the proposal but due to repeated instances of vehicles driving on the village green and up to the building damaging drainage and the pitch it was agreed to proceed. OCS has been asked to quote for the work.**

2. To receive update on resolution to adopt the Greater Horseshoe Way play area following upgrading as requested by Radian Housing (Clerk) **Legal work is in hand.**

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.**

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 None.

Meeting closed 8.20pm