



Wickham and Knowle Parish Council

Recreation Committee

Minutes of the Recreation Committee held at Knowle Village Hall

Thursday 16th November 2023, 8.15pm

Committee members present:

Councillors; Nic Holladay (Chair), Robert Broad (Vice-Chair), Craig Manuel, Loraine Rappe, Sandy Phillips-Lee, Sheila Chambers, Kathryn Holladay, Malcolm Burt

In Attendance: Tracey Molloy, Locum Clerk

Members of the Public: 3

1. **Apologies for absence** – Councillor Mike Little
2. **Declarations of interest on Agenda**
Cllr Malcolm Burt – Declared interest in Mill Lane (8.1)
3. **Public Session** – 3 members of public were in attendance to observe the meeting
4. **Minutes of the Meeting 5th September**
RESOLVED: Minutes of the Meeting on the 5th September were approved.
Proposed: Cllr Rappe Seconded: Cllr Manuel

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5. **Updates on current projects and actions:**
 - 5.1. **Skatepark extension:** Work instructed
 - 5.2. **Barbastelle Walk play area:** Update on budget to be provided at a future meeting.
6. **Knowle Village Hall**
 - 6.1. **Pizza vehicle in carpark:** Vehicle now removed
7. **Grounds maintenance contract** – To review schedule of works and expenditure summary: To be discussed with agenda item 8.3

Ahead of agenda item 8.1 Councillor Rappe read out a statement of concern, proposing that a moratorium is immediately placed on the Mill Lane development until the Section 106 has been revisited and a more realistic approach put forward.

Following updates and discussions Councillor N Holladay gave the opportunity for the Committee to support the proposal. It was agreed to keep the project moving and to carry on with the agenda.

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8. **Update on current projects and actions:**
 - 8.1. **Mill Lane**
 - 8.1.1. **To receive a progress report (Chair):** Noted
 - 8.1.2. **Tender information to instruct Market Research brief for Sports Facilities in the parish:** Noted, no changes

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8.1.3. **Field Form Fee Proposal for Mill Lane Development – Stage 1 Facility Design & Community Consultation**

RESOLVED: Items 1-3, Stage 1 Facility Design and Community Consultation approved to progress.

Proposed: Cllr Manuel Seconded: Cllr Broad

8.2. **Other:**

8.2.1. **Wickham Community Tennis Club, Replacement LED floodlights**

RESOLVED: Luminance Pro approved to replace LED floodlights for the sum of £13,495 + VAT

8.2.2. **Wickham Community Tennis Club, Maintenance to slippery surface:** Clerk to get quotes for moss removal

8.3. **Grounds maintenance contract, schedule of works and expenditure**

RESOLVED: Following the review of the grounds maintenance expenditure, it was agreed to extend current contracts by one year to allow for a complete review of works and retender of contracts ahead of the 2025-26 financial year.

Due to the considerable expenditure on jobs outside of the contracts, the Council will look into employing a maintenance person for the parish directly.

Proposed: Cllr N Holladay

Seconded: Cllr Chambers

vote: 6 for, 2 against

8.4. **Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee**

- 8th November – Knowle Residents Association – Parking at the Village Hall: Item deferred

Meeting Closed, 10.05pm

Signed.....


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