

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7.30PM
USING ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

PRESENT:

Cllr C O'Rourke (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs P H Whiting
Cllr Mrs C Reavey
Cllr Mrs A Gardner
Cllr H L Jackson
Cllr N Brown
Cllr B Spencer (as substitute for Cllr A M T Reading)
Miss A J Schofield (Assistant Clerk)
Mrs E Arrow (Administration and Communications Officer)

1. **APOLOGIES**

Cllr A M T Reading.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

3. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held 14th July 2020 be signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record.

4. **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

5. **HIGH PRESSURE WASHING AND MOSS TREATMENT OF THE TENNIS COURTS**

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:

That Council enter a 3 year contract for the annual provision of high pressure washing and moss treatment of the tennis courts and MUGA at a cost of £1280 per annum subject to the Clerk's satisfaction that the pressure washing will not cause damage to the new MUGA surface and that the works will not affect any warranties to the new surface.

6. **GREENWAY, KINGS MEADOW, GROUNDS MAINTENANCE TO BOUNDARY LAND**

RESOLVED:

That following the scheduled path clearance works by Northamptonshire Highways, the Committee members who so wish, undertake a site visit with the Clerk to review the issues in advance of the November meeting.

7. **CLERK'S REPORT**

Timber Trail Castle Fields

The order has been given to Wicksteed with expected start date early October. Northants MOLA are preparing the watching brief for approval by Historic England.

Carved benches from 'Three Oaks' tree

The 3 benches are to be delivered to Castle Fields 15th September. Unveiling ceremony with Highways England will be the following day, 16th September, with the Mayor.

A 4th log from another oak tree felled as part of the Chowns Mill roundabout improvement scheme is being delivered to the woodcarver's yard for work to begin. This bench is destined for Nightingale Way play area as previously agreed.

Tennis Club Fees

The tennis club have begun use of the tennis courts for club sessions. They were previously invoiced quarterly. Quarterly invoicing resumed from the 1st September.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk's report be received and noted.

8. **PARISH PATHS WARDEN REPORT**

RESOLVED:

That the report from the Parish Paths Warden, Marion Darnell, be received and noted.

9. **ITEMS TO REPORT**

Cllr Mrs T Reavey sought confirmation that a response would be sent to the resident who had emailed with regard to the fly tipping. The Assistant Clerk confirmed a response had been made.

Cllr Mrs P Whiting stated the fencing near Blackwell Close had broken and it was thought to have been damaged by children messing around with a trolley. Cllr Mrs A Gardner will mention this to the PCSO when they next meet. Cllr N Brown had additional information regarding the use of the pallet trolley that he will pass on.

10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

10th November 2020

Chairman

Date