

PAULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parks and Amenities Committee meeting held on Tuesday 6th September at 7.00pm held in the meeting room, Village Hall, Paulton.

PRESENT: Councillors T Bridgeman, G Dix, L Hardman, S Long, C Mitchard, P McSherry, H Warren, L Wild and M Wild (Chair).

IN ATTENDANCE: Jo Swift – Clerk, Councillors A Lyons, P Hartley, M Stevens and 1 member of the public.

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Committee were asked if the BMX track could be upgraded and tarmac was suggested as a preferred surface which could then double up as a skateboard park. Goal posts were also requested at the Miners Recreation Ground.

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was none.

19. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Parks committee meeting held on 7th June 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

20. DISABLED ACCESS AND BENCH AT MINERS WELFARE RECREATION GROUND

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations from the site visit are approved – the disabled bench to be installed by the play equipment and the metal fence is to have a section removed on the left hand side, fix hinges and latch and then refit to the existing posts at a cost of £400.00.

21. WALLENGE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT

It was asked if the wooden bench could be treated with a fire retardant substance and also if a sign could be placed at the bottom of the slope on Britten's Hill directing people to the play area. The Clerk will liaise with the Groundsman regarding

these matters.

RECOMMENDED:

That approval for model J3868 at a cost of £10,803 is recommended to the full Parish Council.

22. SIGNAGE WORKING GROUP

The information was noted.

23. OXLEASE SITE AND POLESTAR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

The information was noted.

24. BANDSTAND UPDATE

The planning application is with B&NES Council, the Clerk has been contacted by the Case Officer who fully supports the principle of having a bandstand however the Conservation Officer has queried the design and material choice. The Clerk is presently waiting for a reply from the Case Officer and the Committee will be updated when more information is available.

25. PLAY INSPECTIONS

The various surfaces of grass matting, tarmac, concrete were discussed and also the future of the site and whether it should be upgraded to accommodate other users such as skateboarders. It was suggested that this is to be consider for the future and that other facilities could be looked at such as Westfield, Tunley and Keynsham to see what facilities they had. External funding could be sought to fund the project. To be put back on the agenda for a future meeting to be considered further.

RESOLVED:

That quotes are obtained for various suitable surfaces to meet the play inspection standards.

26. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parks and Amenities Committee is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 6th December 2016 at 7.00pm**

Meeting finished at 7.30pm

Signed.....Date.....
(Chairman)