

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held at Quedgeley Community Centre on Wednesday 5th August 2020 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr S Smith, Cllr Mrs M Slatter, Cllr G Smith, Cllr Miss Mozol, Cllr Arnold, Cllr Thompson, Cllr Miss Weston, Cllr Mrs Williams and Cllr Mrs McAllan

OFFICER PRESENT Debbie Hughes

R.001/20-21	<p>Elect a Chair Cllr Miss Mozol put herself forward for chair, this did not receive a seconder. Cllr Mrs J McAllan PROPOSED Cllr Mrs J Williams be chair. Secoded Cllr Mrs Slatter Vote 7 For 1 Abstain So resolved</p>
R.002/20-21	<p>Apologies for Absence None received Cllr Pearce was unable to join the meeting due to issues with his WiFi connection.</p>
R.003/20-21	<p>Declarations of Interest None</p>
R.004/20-21	<p>To Adopt the following Minutes of the Previous Meeting dated: 4th March 2020 Cllr G Smith PROPOSED to accept the above minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Secoded Cllr S Smith Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.005/20-21	<p>Correspondence (a) Creative Play – brochure (b) Local Resident – overgrown tree - Nature Reserve The committee unanimously agreed to wait for the annual tree survey report scheduled for September. The office to contact the local resident to advise. Action - office (c) Local Resident – fencing – Nature Reserve (d) ICCM - brochure Cllr S Smith volunteered to read and report at the next meeting. Action – Cllr S Smith (e) GeViews – street furniture (f) IMI – War Memorial Cleaning Items a, c, e and f were noted</p>
R.006/20-21	<p>Community Events Firework Display – 7th November 2020 To consider cancellation due to current Covid-19 restrictions. Following discussion, Cllr Miss Weston PROPOSED the firework display be cancelled this year. Secoded Cllr G Smith Vote 7 For 1 Abstain So resolved</p> <p>Armistice Day – 11th November (a) To consider and agree expenditure note exceeding £30.00 to purchase wreath Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Secoded Cllr Thompson Vote unanimous So resolved</p> <p>(b) Cllr S Smith advised, the Armistice Day ceremony will go ahead at War Memorial at 10.45am.</p> <p>Public Event - To Consider Cllr S Smith explained, previously the committee discussed the possibility of arranging a 4th event, a carnival procession next autumn was suggested and this was unanimously agreed. This item to be included on the agenda next year.</p>

<p>R.007/20-21</p>	<p>Playground Safety Reports (a) Druids Oak, Woolstrop Play Area and Bristol Road Recreation Ground – to consider any necessary action arising from the reports.</p> <p>Druids Oak: No safety reports received. Cllr Mrs McAllan advised she has undertaken the inspections, the surfacing and tarmac is a health and safety issue and should be addressed. Mrs Hughes advised the office is in the process of obtaining quotations. The council was asked to investigate community grants Action - office</p> <p>Woolstrop Play Area: 03.03.20 : 11.03.20 : 17.06.20 : 24.06.20 : 29.07.20 : Bristol Road Rec: 02.03.20 : 10.03.20 : 15.06.20 : 22.06.20 : 27.07.20 :</p> <p>The above safety reports were noted.</p>
<p>R.008/20-21</p>	<p>Annual Safety Reports To delegate authority to the office to address all high-risk items identified Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above. Seconded Cllr Mrs Slatter Vote 7 For 1 Against So resolved</p>
<p>R.009/20-21</p>	<p>Quedgeley Nature Reserve (a) Safety Report – Cllrs Mrs J Williams & Cllr Miss A Mozol Councillors Miss Mozol & Cllr Miss Weston supplied verbal reports, two written report was received from Cllr Mrs Williams (12.5.20) & Cllr S Smith (4.8.20)</p> <p>Cllr Arnold advised, a pair of scissors punctured his bicycle tyre, the blades were jutting out of the bark.</p> <p>Cllr S Smith explained, he visited the site with Cllr Thompson to enable him to be included on the safety inspection rota, he further explained there was evidence of illegal activities and cautioned councillors to be careful when carrying out their inspections.</p> <p>He also reported the council's signs require updating.</p> <p>Cllr Miss Weston explained, she wished she could assist more than she is currently able to do but assured members she will support wherever she can.</p> <p>The committee requested the office update the rota and circulate to all members of R&A.</p> <p>(b) Report on progress Nothing to report</p>
<p>R.010/20-21</p>	<p>Allotments There are a couple of plots not being tendered nor responded to correspondence sent, this is being monitored.</p>
<p>R.011/20-21</p>	<p>Quedgeley Cemetery & Quedgeley Memorial Garden (a) Report on progress Cllr S Smith advised funds are currently not available to join the sites together hopefully this could be addressed in the next financial year.</p> <p>(b) To consider and agree a stone to commemorate those who died in Quedgeley due to Covid 19. Cllr Mrs Slatter PROPOSED the above. Seconded Cllr Mrs Weston Vote unanimous So resolved</p>

R.012/20-21	<p>Fishers Meadow Cllr Miss Mozol advised that it was previously agreed to address the entrance by the newly installed gate. Mrs Hughes advised this will not be carried out this financial year.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs McAllan thanked the office for their prompt action in getting the dead tree removed.</p>
R.013/20-21	<p>Fishing Pond Cllr S Smith reported, the area is very dangerous, overgrown and there is also evidence of illegal activities taking place and requested a disclaimer sign be erected at the entrance. Cllr G Smith advised fishing club members cleared weeds from the pathways.</p> <p>The committee asked the office to arrange a meeting with fishing groups.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action - office</p>
R.014/20-21	<p>Bins Cllr Miss Mozol explained the litter bin located along Severnvale Drive requires replacing however, Gloucester City Council advised they are removing bins to encourage individuals to take their rubbish home. A bin is also required adjacent to the bench in the orchard however, Gloucester City Council advised their policy is not to install bins next to benches. Cllr Miss Mozol asked permission to pursue this further, there was no objection from the committee.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action – Cllr Miss Mozol</p>
R.015/20-21	<p>Budget 2020-2021 Mrs Hughes explained due to the financial impact caused by COVID-19 the remaining funds are to address items of health and safety only.</p>
R.016/20-21	<p>Business for referral There was no business for referral.</p>

Date of Next Meeting – 2nd September 2020 – Teams – Noted

Meeting closed 8.30pm