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MINUTES OF THE PLAYING FIELD, CEMETERY AND STREET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 6:30PM ON TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2024

In attendance: Cllrs, Katie Moore, Melanie Harvey, Martin Sayers, Mike Smith and the Administrator, Katherine Besant

PCS48.24 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

There were no public questions, comments or representations

PCS49.24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Jane Bremner and Peter Noel

PCS50.24 DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensations.

PCS51.24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mike Smith declared an interest in item PCS57.24a

Cllr Melanie Harvey declared an interest in items PCS54.24a

PCS52.24 MINUTES

It was

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Playing Field, Cemetery and Street Management Committee held on the 22 October 2024 be agreed as a correct record and signed.

PCS53.24 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Parking in Charmouth PCS43.24a Cllr Martin Sayers discussed this with Cllr Belinda Bawden at the last Full Council about Speedwatch this does not accord with DC policy as shown in

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/w/20-mile-per-hour-mph-policy>.

The relevant bit is: An active CSW team should be in place for at least 12 months. **It is recognised that on rare occasions some communities may have demonstratable difficulties with establishing a team and these difficulties would not on their own prevent an application being considered.** This is to demonstrate a clear commitment from within the community. If, after 12 months there is still a wish to request a 20mph scheme the town or parish council should be able to demonstrate wide community support for the proposed 20mph scheme. This can be achieved by carrying out a survey of residents and /or holding public meetings. It is important that there is a high level of community support as the installation of any 20mph scheme will involve a statutorily required period of formal public consultation costing a maximum of £1000 (cost of two public adverts). If we are serious about getting 20 mph here it needs a champion to work on getting a survey of residents started to gauge opinion. This is essential if we want to apply without Speedwatch.

PCS54.24 PROGRESS REPORTS

a) Parking in Double Common

A letter was sent to all residents to ask their views on initiating a Residents Only Parking Permit scheme. Most of the residents were against this idea but were in favour of approaching Dorset Council to ask if double yellow lines could be considered on the bends from Hammonds Mead into Double Common and on the bend by the footpath at the side of the school. It was proposed to take this to the Full Council meeting in February to be decided.

b) Scout path lights

It was decided that the lights were adequate on the path to the scout hut. The committee agreed that if they get broken or stop working in the future to look at a solution then.

c) Barrs Lane

(i) Parking - Still an ongoing issue and is being monitored. Two planters have been installed in front of the gates and have now been planted out.

(ii) Resurfacing - The potholes have been filled in and compacted

PCS55.24 HAZARD & INCIDENT REPORT

a) Holes in the walls at The Pavilion and damaged bench

Quotes for repairs £100 plus VAT for repairs to the wall and £265 plus VAT for repairs to the bench were agreed by delegated authority. The Council will be claiming back the repairs to the wall from the Football Club.

b) It was reported that the bench in Lower Sea Lane outside St Andrews Hall had been vandalised, it had been taken away for refurbishment and repairs and will be reinstalled in the New Year.

PCS56.24 ENVIRONMENT WORKING GROUP ITEMS

a) Items from meeting held on 12th December 2024

(i) Request to enter the Southwest in Bloom competition in 2025 this was agreed by the committee

(ii) Request for funding to hire the library for future Environment Exchange meetings approximately 9 sessions at £7. The committee proposed the sum of £63 to be considered by the Finance Committee at their next meeting in January

b) Oak Tree

The tree has been received from the Rotary Club and will be planted soon

PCS57.24 DISCUSSION ITEMS / TO BE NOTED

a) Football Club

Ongoing, a meeting has been arranged with Cllrs Mike Smith and Peter Noel and the Facilities Manager in the new year

b) Bowls Club

The Bowls Club have confirmed that they do not wish to continue using the bowling green from April 2024. The Committee discussed and agreed that if the club do not intend to continue at all in the future from March 2026, then the Council reserves the right to re-develop the bowling green and if any application to start a bowling club is received after that, it will need to be considered by the Council from scratch.

c) No mow May areas

The maintenance team have suggested to create larger areas for no mow May rather than walkways as this increases the workload. The committee agreed and suggested a discussion with the Environment Group to incorporate within the mowing schedule

d) Metal fencing quotes

It was agreed to not pursue now and possibly remove part of the old fencing in the future

e) Quote for matting on the play area

It was agreed and proposed to get an up-to-date quote for matting at each end of the slide only. The administrator will ask the Facilities Manager for a new quote to be taken to the next finance meeting in January 2025

PCS58.24 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Parking

Correspondence about parking in the village - Noted

b) Letter from the Royal British Legion

Thank you for the wreath donation - Noted

The meeting closed at 7.15pm

Proposals to F & GP

PCS56.24a (ii) Propose a sum of £63 for the Environment Exchange group to hire the library for future meetings and talks in 2025

PCS57.24e Quote for matting at each end of the slide in the Playing Field

Proposals to Full Council Meeting

PCS54.24a To approach Dorset Council to initiate Double yellow lines in Hammonds Mead and Double Common

Signed

Date