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Minutes of a meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on Thursday 31st March 2022, at School Green Centre commencing at 7:30pm

Present: Cllrs. N Boyer, I Clarke (Chair), E Brown, P Emmment, L James, P Jahromi, I Montgomery
Attending: Nina Villa (Interim Clerk), three members of the public

22/RA/18 Public Questions

None

22/RA/19 Apologies and declarations of members' interests

Apologies for absence - none

Declarations of Interest - Cllrs Brown and Clarke – grants – members of Tea Bar and Car Service

21/RA/20 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Council review the minutes and action sheet. Cllr Jahromi has identified an area for raised flower beds but the area for the identified still has works to be completed so this will be deferred for now.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- a) The Committee approve the minutes of the meeting held on 24th February and the Chairman be authorised to sign the same

22/RA/20 Spencers Wood Recreation Ground – MUGA

The Committee noted that the Clerk had issued tender documents to selected companies for the installation of a new MUGA and invited quotes for the outdoor gym equipment. Only one company had tendered for the MUGA and two companies for the gym equipment.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- a) The Committee approve the proposal from HAGS for the MUGA and from Proludic for the Gym Equipment
- b) The Committee recommend release of CIL funds amounting to £104,500 (including 10% contingency) for the MUGA and £27,500 for the gym equipment to the Finance and General Purposes Committee

Ian H. Clarke
28-4-22

22/RA/21 Community Service Update

The Committee received a short update Sports Strategy group update on Millworth Lane including the design of the site and the electrical and guttering work to be done on 2nd May.

The Committee received an update on the current community services which are restarting after covid. Cllr Brown will bring a more detailed report to the next meeting.

The Committee received an update on the Youth Club and there was a query about Health and Safety prohibiting tuck shop sales. It was agreed that there were no known concerns regarding packaged/canned items being sold so this could proceed. There is a regular good attendance with positive feedback from the young people. It was noted that there is a project budget of £11k which the staff are not aware of.

The Committee noted some photos from a resident showing flooding at Orchard Rise allotments. Members reiterated that they do not wish to take over the site until the flooding is resolved and the Clerk was asked to raise this again with WBC.

The Committee considered the quotation for the replacement bollards at School Green and were concerned about the appearance. They requested shorter posts (c500 mm) and asked for similar spacing to the current posts.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- a) The Committee note the report of the Sports Strategy group
- b) The Committee note the report on Community Services
- c) The Committee note the report on the Youth Club
- d) The Committee note the concerns re flooding at Orchard Rise Allotments and the Interim Clerk was asked to contact WBC again
- e) The Committee deferred the bollard item to the next meeting pending receipt of revised quotes.

22/RA/22 Grant Applications

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- a) The Committee approve a grant of £2125 for the Tea Bar
- b) The Committee approve a grant of £2000 for Shinfield St Marys Junior School
- c) The Committee approve a grant of £500 the Car Service Spring Gardens Lunch Club
- d) The Committee deferred the First Days Childrens' Charity application pending further information on exactly how the grant will be applied specific for Shinfield Parish and how many people they anticipate benefitting

Action items:

Minute Ref	Details	Action by
48	Cllr Jahromi to identify other areas in the parish to locate raised flower beds	Cllr. Jahromi
62.2.3	Clerk to provide monthly report detailing significant maintenance tasks carried out in the parish to help identify any recurring issues.	Clerk
1.6	Deputy Clerk to investigate suitable access to Spencers Wood Pavilion giving regard to security and insurance as well as ease	Deputy Clerk

7.2	Clerk to write to the WBC, stating that SPC would not take on responsibility for the Orchard Rise Allotments unless it provided a 5-year guarantee in respect of drainage work carried out.	Clerk
12.1.9	Interim Clerk would issue the suppliers with a spec and ask them to quote accordingly. Request to be made to the Finance & General Purposes Committee and Council to ask for finance to cover it.	Clerk

Lawh. Clarke
28-4-22

