

MINUTES of LEISURE COMMITTEE meeting held 7 September 2017 at Euxton PC Community Centre, Euxton.

Present: Cllrs M Bamber N Hall H Tune (Vice Chair)
 A Caughey G Rypel (Chairman) A Platt (for pre-meet)
 J Caughey K Reed S Wellerd

Committee members attended from 6pm, prior to the meeting to view and discuss all the concept designs received

1. Apologies Cllrs A Platt, V Thornhill.
2. Minutes of meeting

Resolved: Leisure Committee minutes of 6 July 2017, were agreed to be accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

Chair proposed to move item 8 to the top of the agenda, whilst the viewings were fresh in members minds.

8. Greenside Play Area

Members discussed all the concept designs submitted by seven companies, the state of the land being quite wet and damp a lot of the time, the proximity to homes, the leased area.

Resolved: Leisure Committee chose three concept designs to be put forward to the resident viewings based on the criteria set.

At the resident viewings, visitors will be asked to fill in a short form giving feedback which could then be analysed at the next Leisure meeting.

3. Millennium Green

Project Manager Cllr Thornhill had submitted a report for the committee to consider.

Resolved: Leisure Committee requested to see the design and tender information prior to it going out.

Resolved: Leisure Committee agreed that members would view the tenders individually and feedback to each other, then a report to be formed by the Project Manager for the next Leisure Committee – volunteers were Cllrs Thornhill, Rypel, J Bamber.

Wildflower Meadow – members discussed the success of the one created on Euxton Lane and Cllr Thornhill's comments and will await his further report.

5. Balshaw Villa POS

Cllr Thornhill had submitted an update report for the committee - which was received.

6. Princessway open space proposal and future consideration

Clerk had written a report on the situation, which Councillors discussed.

Resolved: Leisure Committee agreed they had no objections to CBC carrying out necessary works on and through Princessway land.

Resolved: Leisure Committee agreed for the Clerk to approach CBC with an idea to create parish council allotment sites on this land in the future, and to discuss options to buy/lease the land.

7. Skate Park, Southport Road, remedial works

Clerk updated on the drainage blockages, the remedial works already undertaken and the suggested further works. Also, about an additional charge she was discussing with the supplier which was not agreed.

Resolved: Leisure Committee agreed further remedial works to be carried out and suggested C J Lyons, they disagreed to paying the additional charge by the first contractor.

9. Other items for this Committee to take forward in the future

HCA regarding fields off Pear Tree Lane – contact with the correct person has not been achieved yet.

The Cherries, pond area was discussed. Clerk to push for any work prior to the adoption to be done.

Ginnel between Countessway and the play area on Balshaw Lane was discussed. It has always flooded, from previous investigations the land is not owned by anyone, some land to the East side has been taken. Clerk to obtain a cost to install a method to drain the land and investigate legalities to enable the Parish Council to do this work and present to future meeting.

The play area at the bottom of Highways was discussed – this is a Chorley Council site but is very underused for play as it only has a kick wall on it and is often very wet, it is more a dog walking area.

A restorative justice project has been in contact and members discussed its work – suggested to pass to Millennium Green project manager as it was not considered by the bowling green project to offer the type of products they may need in the future.

There being no further general business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

8.30