

**18<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

Minutes of the proceedings of the **Leisure Committee** held this day in the **Kitty Dancy Room, Sandhurst Community Hall Complex, Sandhurst** commencing at **7.30pm** and finishing at **9.02pm**.

**PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr J. Porter  
Councillors: Mrs J Bettison, A Blatchford, Mrs S Davenport, Mrs H Hill,  
P Panesar, M Sanderson (arrived 7.37pm agenda item 4b)

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

Non-voting representatives:

S Armstrong-Davies (Sandhurst Sports Club)  
S Coxwell (Sandhurst Cricket Club)  
T Dean (Sandhurst Town Football Club)  
D Evans (3<sup>rd</sup> Sandhurst Scouts)  
F Moriarty (Sandhurst Tug of War)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors:

P Bettison (Business).

D Birch (Business).

Mrs E Birch (Business).

R McKenzie (Indisposed).

K Miah (Business).

G Oberholzer (Business).

(Formal apologies are only recorded for councillors, and are not recorded for the non-voting representatives of clubs and groups).

**MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**MINUTES OF THE LEISURE COMMITTEE (Agenda item 3)**

It was proposed by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1400**

that the minutes of the Leisure Committee meeting held on 16 November 2017 (pages 0661-0665) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.  
(Unanimous)

**LARGE EVENTS (Agenda item**

- a) An update was received following resolution 1354 concerning the Donkey Derby. Due to little response from the proposed working group there has been no meeting and further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1401**

that there will be no working group formed to consider the future of the Donkey Derby at the present time.

**Action: Cllr J Porter**



- b) An update was received on the potential Summer of Fun event for 2018. The suggested date is 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and the local Town and Parish Councils will be meeting in February to begin planning for the events. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1402**

that Sandhurst Town Council hosts a Summer of Fun event in 2018.

**ACTION: EO**

- c) A request was received from a member of the public to hold a charity football tournament in aid of Limbicare on the Memorial Park. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr A Blatchford and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1403**

that permission is given for the charity football tournament to be held, subject to the large events policy being followed.

**ACTION: EO**

#### **MEMORIAL PARK MAINTENANCE (Agenda item 5)**

The Committee were advised that the current vacancy for a Grounds Person is currently being advertised on the BFC jobs website as well as on all STC noticeboards and the STC website.

#### **FIREWORKS 2017 (Agenda item 6)**

There has not been a meeting of the working group. It was confirmed that the event will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

#### **FREEDOM MARCH 2018 (Agenda item 7)**

There is a meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018 the Leisure Committee will receive an update in the next meeting.

#### **BUDGET (Agenda item 8)**

An update was received concerning the proposed budget for the Leisure Committee for 2018/19. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1404**

that there are several amendments made to the budget. Firstly that the budget for drainage pumps is increased by £2000. This is due to the wear and tear of the pumps which is resulting in replacement parts and units. A request is also being made to reduce the gardening budget to £1000 as this is adequate for the anticipated spend in this area. The Summer of Fun budget is currently £2000 and an increase to £3000 has been requested as the event is no longer supported with any financial contributions from the BFC. A small budget of £200 is being requested for park signs. The budget was accepted by the committee and will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee.

**ACTION: EO**

#### **PRESS AND PUBLICATION FORWARD PLAN (Agenda item 9)**

There were no additions requested by this meeting to the publicity and press forward plan. The Committee were updated on recent press releases.



## **COUNCILLOR REPORTS (Agenda item 10)**

None reported.

## **SPORTS CLUB (Agenda item 11)**

S Armstrong-Davies reported that there has been a change in the Committee since the last meeting with the Chairman M Hill and M Silver resigning in November. S Armstrong-Davies is now the Chairman and D Milsom and R Belson have joined the Committee. Things are progressing well with an improved financial position as well as membership of around 100 people. Three new trustees have been appointed by the Sports Club. The premises have been decorated and a programme of further improvement is in place. The bookings for private parties has increased and there is an events programme for members. Sandhurst Town Council would like to pass on their congratulations to S Armstrong-Davies and the Committee for their recent successes in turning the club around.

## **SANDHURST RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (Agenda item 12)**

Not present.

## **SPORTING AND RECREATIONAL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES (Agenda item 13)**

S Coxwell from Sandhurst Cricket Club reported that the number of players at the club remains stable. They are considering some shorter games of 20 20. The financial situation at the club has improved due to some successful fundraising throughout the year. The Cricket Club would like to repay the loan that was given to them by STC (cheque presented to STC) early and would like to say thank you to the Leisure Committee personally for their support.

T Dean gave an update on his teams. All are currently sitting mid table in their leagues. There have only been 2 games postponed so far this season due to the pitch being unplayable and T Dean would like to thank Nick Hurd and his team for working well with the football club to achieve this. It was also confirmed that the CCTV has now been installed.

F Moriarty reported that the team remains steady in numbers and has had a couple of new members join recently. They are currently enjoying training in the all-weather facility and continue to give thanks for the support received from STC to enable them to have this facility.

D Evans from 3<sup>rd</sup> Sandhurst Scouts confirmed that the Beavers and Cubs are full and that the Scouts are nearly full. They also have young leaders coming through the club and are training them on safeguarding and medical requirements. The organisation is currently in good financial shape.

## **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda Item 14)**

It was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1405**

that in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press would be excluded for discussion regarding the engagement, terms of service and conduct of employees where publicity might be prejudicial to the special nature of the business.



- a) The Committee were informed of recent breaches of the conditions of the lease by leaseholder A. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs H Hill and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1406**

that the suggested amendments to the lease agreement are approved and a recommendation will be given to the Strategy and Policy Committee to approve the instruction of our Solicitors to amend the lease.

**ACTION: EO**

- b) The Committee were presented with three quotes for the resurfacing of the access road in Brookside Meadow. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1407**

that the company which provided quote B would be contracted to complete the resurfacing work.

**ACTION: EO**

- c) The Committee were presented with three quotes for the installation of an electric barrier across the access road in Brookside Meadow. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr M Sanderson and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1408**

that the installation of an electric barrier is necessary and will go ahead and that the company which provided quote C would be contracted to complete the work. A policy will be written concerning the issuing of the fobs that operate the barrier.

**ACTION: EO**

- d) The Committee were presented with an independent report, which reviewed an outside contractor's work. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1409**

that a recommendation will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee that a meeting is set up between STC and the contractor to discuss the findings of the report.

**ACTION: EO**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING (Procedural item)**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 15 March 2018.

**SIGNED AND DATED BY  
CHAIRMAN**

