

## 15<sup>th</sup> November 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 **8.13pm**.

### **PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr J Porter

Councillors: Mrs J Bettison, P Bettison, Mrs S Davenport, Ms G Kennedy.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

Non-voting representatives:

L Clark (Gardening Club)

V Crosby-Clarke (Sandhurst Residents Association)

T Dean (Sandhurst Town Football Club)

P Dodds (Allotment Association)

C Edwards (Sandhurst Sports Club)

R Lomas (Sandhurst Tennis Club)

B Penn (Tug of War)

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

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor:

A Blatchford (Business)

D Birch (Business)

R McKenzie (Indisposed)

K Miah (Business)

P Panesar (Indisposed)

(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)**

Cllr Ms G Kennedy and Cllr Mrs S Davenport expressed an interest in agenda items 4b & 4c.

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

It was proposed by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED**  
**1690**

that the minutes of the Leisure Committee meeting held on 20 September 2018 (pages 0798-0801) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.  
(Unanimous)

### **MEMORIAL PARK MAINTENANCE (Agenda item 4)**

- a) An update was received following the FA Pitch Inspection which was carried out by the FA & Institute of Groundmanship. The initial feedback was very favourable and a full written report will be provided by the pitch inspector.
- b) A request was received from the Sandhurst and District Gardening Club asking for permission to install a bell for use when the trading hut is



open. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1691**

that permission is granted to allow the club to install a bell near the electric barrier for use during the opening hours of the trading hut.

**ACTION: EO**

- c) A request was received from the Sandhurst and District Gardening Club asking for a key to the metal gate which leads to the front of the building. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1692**

that the proposal will be considered by the Charges Working Group during the annual review of all fees and charges including the terms and conditions of the hires. The issue of a key will be considered for all hirers to ensure consistency for everyone. A recommendation will then be made to the Strategy and Policy Committee for adoption.

**ACTION: EO**

**FIREWORKS 2018 (Agenda item 5)**

An update was received on the event. Cllr J Porter thanked the Executive Officer and all of the staff for their dedication. He also thanked all Councillors that volunteered at the event. The date for next year's event will be 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 subject to the available budget being agreed.

**REQUEST FOR A BENCH ON THE MEMORIAL PARK (Agenda item 6)**

- a) A request from a member of the public was received to place a bench in memory of her relatives in the Memorial Park. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1693**

that permission was given for a bench to be purchased by the relatives to install in the Memorial Park. The cost of the bench and any ongoing costs for the upkeep of the bench are the responsibility of the family requesting permission for the bench. The bench should be made of recycled plastic and the design must be approved by STC.

**ACTION: EO**

**REQUEST FOR ASHES TO BE SCATTERED (Agenda item 7)**

A request for ashes to be scattered in the Memorial Park was received. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr P Bettison and seconded by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1694**

that advice is sought from Easthampstead Crematorium on any legal requirements. This information will be brought back to the Leisure Committee for discussion.

**ACTION: EO**



**REQUEST FOR A BARBEQUE AREA IN THE MEMORIAL PARK  
(Agenda item 8)**

A request received from a resident to have barbeque facilities for the public in the Memorial Park was considered. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1695**

that research is undertaken to ascertain how other parks locally manage barbeque facilities.

**ACTION: EO**

**CCTV (Agenda item 9)**

The committee were advised of the current quality of the video that the CCTV cameras are providing. It was suggested that STC consider updating the current system. There are also a couple of areas that are currently not covered by the cameras which have seen anti-social behaviour and it may be a deterrent to install cameras in the area. The price for updating the current system and installing two new cameras is circa £15000. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
1696**

that the current system is updated and that two new cameras are installed by the company that we hold our contract with.

**ACTION: EO**

**PRESS AND PUBLICATION FORWARD PLAN (Agenda item 10)**

There were no additions requested by this meeting to the publicity and press forward plan.

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS (Agenda item 11)**

No reports received.

**SPORTS CLUB (Agenda item 12)**

C Edwards reported that the takings from the bar were a little bit down from last years at the Fireworks Event. It was reported that the repairs from the recent break-in have been completed and an electrical wiring test has been booked. There will be a Christmas Party on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018 for the children of club members and there will also be a party held on New Year's Eve.

**SANDHURST RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (Agenda item 13)**

V Cosby-Clarke reported that the magazine is currently being printed and will be delivered early December.

**SPORTING AND RECREATIONAL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES  
(Agenda item 14)**

B Penn reported that the Tug of War team are now training inside three times a week and that they are currently working towards the indoor national championships in December. The club are currently trying to recruit young players into the club.



P Dodds reported that it is a quiet time of year for the allotments. He thanked STC for getting the electric barrier repaired so quickly after the recent vandalism of the barrier.

L Clark reported that the Gardening Club have been undertaking maintenance work on the trading hut. The roof has been cleared of moss, the guttering has been repaired and the base of the building has been painted to preserve the waterproofing. It was also reported that the club had a good speaker at their October meeting who was promoting the purchase of British plants and flowers. The club have their Christmas Party coming up which they are looking forward to.

T Dean reported that the pitch is looking good. The first team are progressing well and have had several recent wins. The ladies team are continuing to struggle as they have gone into a higher level of football, however they continue to work well together and are enjoying the challenge. The electrical work that was required at the club house has been completed and the sensor lights have been installed.

R Lomas reported that Sandhurst Tennis Club are now training at the indoor facility in Ash for the winter. The ladies team are finding their new league a challenge but continue to strive to do well. The open day that was held attracted a few new members who have continued to play since the summer. The notice board installation is being chased by A Bromage.

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

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 17 January 2019.

**SIGNED AND DATED BY  
CHAIRMAN**

