

19th May 2022

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 **9.04pm**.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Bettison
Councillors: P Bettison, A Blatchford, J Edwards, Ms G Kennedy,
P Panesar, M Sanderson.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Officer: Angela Carey

Non-voting representatives:
S Hards (Sandhurst Cricket Club)
J Sheppard (Sandhurst Gardening Club)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor:

Mrs S Davenport (Vacation)

R McKenzie (Indisposed)

M Mossom (Indisposed)

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J Porter (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 P Panesar declared an interest in agenda item 18.

MINUTES OF THE LEISURE COMMITTEE (Agenda item 3)

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

RESOLVED

2641

that the minutes of the Leisure Committee meeting held on 17th March 2022 (pages 1239-1242) 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) Further to resolution 2572 the Committee were asked to consider the quotes for the next paths to be resurfaced on the Memorial Park. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and the following was

RESOLVED

2642

that the contract is awarded to tender C for the resurfacing of footpath 1 – cricket field to Yorktown Road and footpath 2 – Path along the back of the cricket field and tennis court to join previously laid path. The finish is to be tar and hot stone.

ACTION: EO



b) Further to resolution 2573, the Committee were asked to consider the various quotes for extra measures needed following repeated criminal damage from people that are locked in the car park as they have exceeded their stay beyond opening hours . Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr A Blatchford and the following was

**RESOLVED
2643**

that infrared lights will be installed to improve the existing camera pictures on the entrance gate to the main car park.

ACTION: EO

LARGE EVENTS (Agenda item 5)

a) The Committee received an update on the Music Festival that will be held on 2nd July 2022. Cllr M Sanderson presented the idea of a Pre-Drinks event being held to raise funds for the Mayor's Charity. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr M Sanderson and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison, and the following was

**RESOLVED
2644**

that a Pre Drinks Event will take place from 4pm – 5pm before the Music Festival. There will be a £10 donation towards the Mayor's Charity for a ticket. The numbers will be limited to 150.

ACTION: EO

b) The Committee received an update on the Summer of Fun event. It was confirmed that in addition to the usual attractions there will be a selection of small farm animals this year.

c) The Committee were informed that the first meeting of the Freedom March Working Group had taken place. The date for the event was confirmed as 27/5/23. The RMAS are keen to play an active part in the planning and had some great ideas to contribute to the day as well as the parade which should include around 200 cadets.

d) The Committee were advised that a decision for STC to hold the Armed Forces Flag Raising Event independently this year due to BFC not holding an event had been made by the Delegated Decisions Committee due to the time constraints. The format of the event was reviewed. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr P Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2645**

that the event takes the same format as previous years. The event will not be videoed this year as it is an open event that anyone may attend.

ACTION: EO

QUEENS JUBILEE TRAIL (Agenda item 6)

Further to resolution 2577, the Committee considered the costings for a trail of tiles to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr P Bettison and seconded by Cllr M Sanderson and the following was

**RESOLVED
2646**

that the Jubilee Trail would not go ahead as it was not practical within the time restraints.



ACTION: EO

CRICKET CLUB END OF SEASON EVENT (Agenda item 7)

The Committee were asked to consider a request from the Cricket Club to allow them to hold their end of season event in the Memorial Park. This will include a marquee and caterers.

Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr J Edwards and the following was

**RESOLVED
2647**

that permission is granted for the Cricket Club to hold their end of season event on the park subject to having the correct public liability insurances from outside providers.

ACTION: EO

OUTSIDE MOVIE NIGHT (Agenda item 8)

The Committee were asked to consider a request from the Indian Association of Bracknell to hold a movie night in the Memorial Park. There will be a minimal charge levied for attending. There will not be any toilet facilities provided by the association.

Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr M Sanderson and seconded by Cllr P Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2648**

that permission is not granted on this occasion. STC would be happy to consider an event in the future if the suitable arrangements are made for fencing an area off to be able to charge for attendance and toilet facilities made available by way of portaloos, along with the correct public liability insurances.

ACTION: EO

ALLOTMENT PARKING (Agenda item 9)

Cllr Mrs J Bettison advised the Committee that the Allotment Association have asked for this agenda item to be withdrawn and the Chairman of the Allotment association Mrs H Sussex confirmed that they will maintain the existing arrangements concerning the parking.

POLICY RE CONTRACTORS ON THE PARK (Agenda item 10)

The Committee were asked to consider a draft policy concerning contractors on the park. Following a recent incident on the park where STC property was accidentally damaged by a contractor engaged by a tenant on the park, a need to formalise the process and expectation for tenants engaging external contractors was identified. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr A Blatchford and the following was

**RESOLVED
2649**

that an additional point in the policy is made to state a minimum of 10m public liability insurance is required. Following the amendment, the policy will be recommended to the Strategy & Policy Committee for approval.

ACTION: EO



PRESS AND PUBLICATION FORWARD PLAN (Agenda item 11)

There was a request by this meeting to continue to advertise the Music Festival on social media.

ACTION: EO

COUNCILLORS REPORTS (Agenda item 12)

Cllr P Bettison informed the Committee that the planning application presented by Bracknell Town Football Club for the development of Lagers Lane has been approved by BFC.

SPORTS CLUB (Agenda item 13)

No representative present.

SANDHURST RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (Agenda item 14)

No representative present.

SPORTING CLUBS AND SOCIETIES (Agenda item 15)

S Hards from Sandhurst Cricket Club informed the Committee that things are going really well with the improvements. Windows, doors. Facias and the patio have been done. Planning permission has been granted for the nets.

The children's sessions have taken off with over 70 children playing cricket on a Tuesday evening.

The club are providing a fun day on the first Saturday of each month, with a bouncy castle for the children.

Fundraising is continuing for the scoreboard.

J Sheppard from Sandhurst & District Gardening Club informed the Committee that the Gardening Clubs Show will be held on 18th June 2022 and all Councillors are welcome.

The club are in the process of getting slats for the display board in the main car park.

The hut will be closed on the weekend of the music festival.

There will be a celebration next year for the clubs platinum anniversary and venues are being considered.

It was also reported that there had been an issue with a member of the Gardening Club receiving verbal abuse on the electric gate during the recent football tournament held by SB&GFC.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING (Agenda item 16)

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 21st July 2022.

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS (Agenda item 17)

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

**RESOLVED
2650**

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.



CAFÉ TENDER (Agenda item 18)

Cllr P Panesar left the room and did not contribute to the discussion or the decision-making process.

- a) The recommendation from the Café Tender Panel was received. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr J Edwards and the following was

**RESOLVED
2651**

that the recommendation for Tender C to take on the lease of the café is approved. This will be ratified at Town Council by agreement of these minutes, following subject to ratification the decision will be communicated to all applicants by Cllr Mrs J Bettison. (Unanimous)

ACTION: EO

- b) The Committee were asked to consider the arrangements for the review of the lease for the café. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and seconded by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and the following was

**RESOLVED
2652**

that the lease will be reviewed by the Chairman of the Leisure Committee, the Vice Chairman of the Leisure Committee and the Executive Officer. This will then be presented to the Leisure Committee for review and then the Strategy & Policy Committee for approval. Legal advice will be sort from the solicitors that STC use. (Unanimous)

ACTION: EO

SIGNED AND DATED CHAIRMAN

