

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 24 JUNE 2022

PRESENT: Councillors: Chris Wood (Chair)
Julie Baker
David Bragg
Sam Jarvis

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk
2 members of the public

22/001 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** To receive apologies for absence

All present

22/002 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** To receive declarations of interest from members.

None received

22/003 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** A period of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments

A member of the public spoke about tractors accessing Glebe 2 through Glebe View and Bower Grove via bumping a kerb and requested that the Council look at widening the opening between Glebe 1 and 2. They advised that the Rugby advertising boards are still in excess of the maximum 16 allowed in the policy and that there are discarded goals, floodlight masts and debris in the undergrowth.

22/004 **TERMS OF REFERENCE.** To consider the Environment & Community Services Committee Terms of Reference

Following discussion the Terms of Reference were agreed.

22/005 **LEASES.** To receive an update on MISA and WM Tennis Club leases

Councillor Wood advised that MISA had agreed the Heads of Terms and had paid last years annual sum, with agreement for 3 containers to be invoiced.

There was discussion on the interest rates to be applied for both lease terms.

The leases can be signed and agreed with a deadline of September.

22/006 **GLEBE SPORTS**

I. To consider Proposal from WM Tennis Club for dilapidations

The Tennis Courts have dilapidated over the 7 year lease, with their being one repair to the fencing 2 years ago. Proposals to bring tennis courts back into a workable state before the signing of a new lease are £7230 (sealing, filling cracks and painting the surface), with a quote to repair fencing at £1710. The Tennis Club have proposed contributing towards the court betterment repairs to prevent tree roots and put in a concrete barrier. There is to be an annual fungal treatment.

Tennis Courts, both hard and grass to be available to the public outside of club hours, excluding when there are tournaments, the Tennis Club will advise the Council when tournaments are taking place.

It was RESOLVED to recommend that Council accept the dilapidations proposal at a cost of £7230 for court repairs and £1710 for fencing repairs.

Repairs have provisionally been booked for September. Further quotes to be sought.

- II. To consider WM Tennis Club request for compost bin to be placed by the small shed

The Committee agreed this request for a compost bin.

- III. To consider request for Padel tennis court

Current participation in Padel is low, the Council will be happy to consider in due course when there is more interest.

- IV. To consider French drain to Oyster FC pitch

The Committee will look into this and will contact the Playing Fields Association for their advice.

- V. To consider request to repair goal mouths on Oyster FC youth football pitches

The Committee will liaise with Grounds staff.

- VI. To consider MISA request for recycling area on car park

The Committee give permission for recycling facilities but MISA must organise.

- VII. To consider proposal from The Rugby Club for an additional electricity meter at the Pavilion to enable sponsorship of Floodlights

The Committee agree to the proposal from the Rugby Club for an additional electricity meter at the Pavilion to enable sponsorship of the Floodlights.

22/007 **GLEBE 2 ACCESS.** To discuss Grounds maintenance access to Glebe 2

The Committee agreed that access will be considered with Glebe 3.

22/008 **BARFIELD ROAD CEMETERY BOUNDARY.** To discuss proposal to fence eastern boundary

The Council reviewed the proposal from a resident to maintain the boundary hedge, deciding that the Council wish to retain hedges and will maintain the boundary. Budgets allowing works to Barfield Road Cemetery will include replanting of hedges and create a flower/grass bank to rear. Councillor Wood will write to proposer to advise of Council decision.

The public left the meeting.

22/009 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.** To RESOLVE that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be excluded pursuant to Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

22/010 **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT.** To agree to contract an environmental consultant for works to Boardwalk

This item was discussed at the Council meeting 23rd June.

22/011 **BEACH BUGGY.** To consider shed purchase for Beach buggy

The Committee RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Toms Farm Shop for a 8 x 6 shed for the Beach buggy.

22/012 **PLAY PARK.** Play Park safety surfacing quotes for swings in West Mersea Park

The Committee RESOLVED to recommend that Council accept the Redlynch play surface quote for the swings at West Mersea Park. Lead times to be established to ensure swings are open for Summer.

22/013. **INTERNET.** To agree costs for internet access for unit at 2 Rushmere Close

The Committee RESOLVED to recommend that Council accept broadband costs of £179 router, £80 one off fee and £36 per month fee for 36 month contract for Rushmere Close.

22/014 **OFFICE RESTROOMS**

- To consider quotations for replacement toilet
- To consider quotations for washroom sanitary bins

The Committee RESOLVED to accept AMS Domestic Ltd quotation for the replacement toilet. The Committee RESOLVED to accept Initial quotation for washroom sanitary bins.

22/015 **CHAMBERS TABLE.** To consider quotations to reconfigure Chambers table

The Committee agreed to not proceed to adjust the Chambers table

22/016 **LEGIONELLA TESTING.** To consider quotations for legionella testing

The Committee RESOLVED to recommend that Council accept the Envirocheck (UK) Ltd quotation

22/017 **NEXT AGENDA.** Items to be included on the next Agenda

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 11.30am.