

Penkridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting
held on 22nd July 2021 at 7.00 pm at the Haling Dene Centre

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with the inclusion of confidential matters.

Present

Councillor Andrew Lenz [Chairman]
" Mrs Gail Ballance
" Ms Jacquie Leach
" Mrs Vivienne Smith
" Mrs Helen Sutton

In attendance were Cllrs Andrew Adams, Anthony Minshall, David Oldfield and Calvert Stonehouse

There were no members of the public present

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

Part I Public Session

1477. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Isabel Ford, Gordon Hawkins, Mrs Petula Hughes, Victor Kelly and Alan Smallwood.

1478. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

1479. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)

There were no DPIs submitted.

1480. MINUTES

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting of 27th May 2021 be approved as a true and correct record, with the below additions included, and be signed by the Chairman.

Item 1468 Allotments - *Polytunnels may be erected on allotments plot [Clear or Green in colour] between the months of March and first week in June with the maximum sizes:*

Item 1469 – Play Areas -

Cllr Eastwood stated that the Precept should be increased to accommodate additional equipment.

Cllr Kelly stated that \$106 monies should be incorporated for Play Parks.

Cllr Mrs Hughes distributed photos of all inclusive play equipment and advised that we should be including some type of inclusive equipment in our parks

Cllr Minshall stated that \$106 monies went straight to SSC Planners.

1481. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the minutes.

1482. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

[a] The Recreation and Amenities printouts for the year to date were received.

[b] The Burial Ground printouts for the year to date were received.

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1483. PLAY AREAS

- [a] Consideration was given to 12 questionnaires received, which had been distributed to all the First Schools Middle School, on Social Media and the Parish Council website, in relation to new equipment for the Horsefair Play Area.

Councillors considered the suggestions with the five most popular being:

Swings, Sensory Stones, Inclusive Round About, Inclusive Trampoline and Climbing Frame

It was agreed that there would be a Public meeting on 9th September at 6.00 pm for one hour for Parishioners to come and talk to Councillors about their requirements.

Councillor also thought the idea of having a list of Play Areas and their equipment be placed on the Village on Noticeboards, Parish Council Website and Social Media.

Council also requested that an additional £15,000 be included in the Recreation and Amenities budget for play equipment each year for the coming five years.

- [b] Consideration was given to how to take the above item forward.

Resolved that:

- [i] A Public meeting be held on 9th September at 6.00 pm for one hour for Parishioners to come and talk to Councillors about their requirements.
- [ii] A list of Play Areas and their equipment be placed on the Village on Noticeboards, Parish Council Website and Social Media.
- [iii] An additional £15,000 be included in the Recreation and Amenities budget for play equipment each year for the coming five years.
- [c] Following the resolution made at the May meeting in relation to access to the Horsefair Play Area the PA advised that the Company undertaking the Play Area Inspections in July would advise of their recommendations.

1484. VICTORIAN FAYRE

The PA's report was received following the Working Group Meeting of 14th July.

1485. CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

- [a] Following the points raised during Public Participation at the June Full Council meeting, clarification emails were received from the Round Table with the PA's response.
- [b] Consideration was given to purchasing baubles and a star for the Crown Bridge Island Christmas Tree. **Resolved** that 20 x 25 cm baubles be purchased at a cost of £11.99 each together with a Star for the top of the Christmas Tree on Crown Bridge Island.
- [c] It was noted the PA had completed the paperwork on behalf of the Parish Council to take part in the St Michaels Christmas Tree Festival and Cllr Smith had volunteered to dress the tree on behalf of the Parish Council.
- [d] Consideration was given to the quotation from Penkridge TV and Electrical to erect and dismantle the full set of Christmas Lights for 2021. **Resolved** that the above quotation be approved.

1486. 20 PLENTY

- [a] It was noted that the slideshow for the above forum meeting had been emailed to all Councillors for information.
- [b] Cllr Mrs Smith's verbal update on the above was received. **Resolved** that the Staffordshire 20s Plenty Forum to be invited to talk to Councillors.
- [c] Consideration was given to how the Committee wished to take the above forward in conjunction with the Community Speed Watch. **Resolved** that the PA speak to SCC and obtain details including costs for the above and this be placed the October agenda for further consideration.

1487. VILLAGE SCHOOLS

Cllrs Mrs Leach's verbal report following her visit to Wolgarston High School was received.

The consultation undertaken at the Horsefair Play Areas with Wolgarston Students was considered under item 1483.

1488. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
Thursday 28th October 2021 at 8.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Chair: _____

Date: _____