

**WHITNASH TOWN COUNCIL**

**HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS (GENERAL) COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7.00 p.m. in the  
Whitnash Town Council office, Franklin Road, Whitnash

PRESENT                   Councillors: Mrs J Falp – Chairman  
                                  A Barton  
                                  S Button  
                                  B Franklin  
                                  R Margrave  
                                  S McFadden  
                                  T Shepherd  
                                  J Short

Town Clerk: Jenny Mason

IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Herbert - Groundsman

H75/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

H76/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at the start of the meeting.

H77/17 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 as circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

H78/17 MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THOSE MINUTES

**H72/17 Whitnash Open Spaces** – Cllr McFadden asked about tree stumps for Washbourne Playing Fields. Cllr Mrs Falp said the tree stumps from Rugby did not materialise, but she has been promised some in September from the Europa Way site.

**H73/17 Correspondence** - Cllr Mrs Falp has not heard from Lynne Gurgeon about the flower bed at the Plough. The Groundsman will sort the bed once we have had some rain as the soil is really hard at the moment.

#### H79/17 HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS PROJECT LIST

Heating Servicing and PAT testing is due in May.  
Heating Service was carried out today, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and PAT testing will be done in the next week or two.

#### H80/17 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

The income and expenditure report along with the year-end summary was forwarded to all Members. The £35,000 in item 3137 will be included with the section 106 money for the new play equipment on Washbourne Playing Fields.

#### H81/17 NOTICE BOARD FOR WEST WARD

Members proposed that funding is sourced or precepted for in 2018 – 2019 for a notice board in West Ward and that it is placed at the Woodside Farm development near the substation.

#### H82/17 WHITNASH COMMUNITY HALL

The metal grill on one of the hall windows has been removed for a second time in recent weeks and the metal gas guard has also been vandalised this week.

A new Caretaker Cleaner has been appointed and will start work on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Josie will do an induction with her for two weeks.

Disabled ramp at Community Hall has been completed.

#### H83/17 WHITNASH OPEN SPACES

The shrubs on the bund are growing and some of the trees are doing well. The weeds need cutting down and the Groundsman will attend to this. Mr Clough has secured some more trees and these will be delivered in September 2017 and planted in the corner near the bund.

The Millennium Garden needs some attention.

The new gate and posts at Washbourne Playing Fields have been installed, but the gate at Acre Close has not been done.

#### H84/17 BRASS IN THE PARK / WHITNASH FUN DAY

All Members were sent a copy of the reply received from Cllr Barton regarding the questions raised about the Brass in the Park event. This event will not be

happening this year, but may well happen in 2018.

H85/17 QUOTATIONS FOR NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT AT WASHBOURNE PLAYING FIELDS

Four quotations were sourced for the new play equipment at Washbourne Playing Fields for the Section 106 money from new housing developments in Whitnash.

Members proposed that the quotation from Wicksteed be accepted once questions were clarified about benches, bins, signage and path footings. Wicksteed will also be asked to install a DDA swing at Acre Close.

H86/17 CORRESPONDENCE

1. An email was received from The Lawns asking if Whitnash Community Hall could be used as their emergency evacuation premises in the event of an emergency. A draft request form to use the facility presented to Members. Members had no objection and agreed in principle to this request.

*Cllr Margrave declared an interest in the above correspondence.*

H87/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017 at 7.00 p.m.  
Cllr Mrs Falp thanked the Committee for their help during the year.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

SIGNED ..... DATE .....