

## WHITNASH TOWN COUNCIL

### HALL AND PLAYING FIELD (GENERAL) COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in the Whitnash Town Council office, Franklin Road, Whitnash

PRESENT                      Councillors: I Colls – Chairman  
  S Button  
  R Margrave  
  T Shepherd

Town Clerk: Jenny Mason

IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Herbert - Groundsman

#### H55/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs Crutchley, Mrs Falp, Nayar and Sparkes. Apologies were accepted.

#### H56/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

#### H57/15 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 as circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

#### H58/15 MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THOSE MINUTES

**H45/15 Electronic Notice Boards** – Cllr McFadden forwarded various options for electronic notice boards. A decision needs to be made regarding this so that it can be included in the precept for 2016 – 2017 if members want to go ahead with this.

**H51/15 Whitnash Community Hall** – Cllr Colls has only managed to source one quotation to repair the hall floor. Members proposed that only the damaged section of the floor be repaired in the interim. The cost of this temporary repair is £1346.25 + VAT. The Clerk will inform the Solicitor of the decision and wait for him to advise.

**H52/15 Whitnash Open Spaces** – Whitnash Community Forum has asked for a more detailed breakdown of the costs for the War Memorial refurbishment.

### H59/15 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

The income and expenditure report as at 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015 was presented to Members. Money was vired between budgeted expenditure to carry out the necessary tree maintenance work that was a Health and Safety concern. There are no overspends.

### H60/15 ELECTRONIC NOTICE BOARD UPDATE

Cllr McFadden emailed through various options for electronic notice boards, but provision will need to be made in the precept for this.

### H61/15 HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS PROJECT LIST

The Hall Project List was updated.

A drawing indicating where the asbestos was managed will be placed on the notice board in the hall. Contractors undertaking any work at the hall will be advised about this.

The document store at the hall has been completed and it was proposed that a 13 amp socket is installed to plug in a machine to deter vermin.

Need to do inventory for the 'keys' for the emergency lights.

Sections of the road leading to the Community Hall is cracked and needs some sealing and grit. Will ask WCC for a quote

Cllr Colls said that a solar light at the entrance to Acre Close would only come with one remote and more are needed. Proposed we ask WCC if they know where we can obtain a solar light with more than one remote.

Also need to ask WCC if the lighting to the Community Hall at Acre Close can be changed to LED bulbs?

The Groundsman will sort the football posts.

It was proposed that the Frisbee Golf posts be painted white to make them more visible.

Play equipment at Washbourne Playing Fields needs painting.

If new notice boards are purchased the one at St Margaret's House needs to be replaced, but the notice board will need to be in keeping with the conservation area.

Winter tubs need some height and Cllr Colls suggest small conifers are placed in the tubs and then planted on the bund when the plants are emptied.

### H62/15 WHITNASH COMMUNITY HALL

The Caretaker is concerned that the blinds on the left hand side of the Community Hall are being damaged by ball games. Cllr Colls has agreed to the 'chained' bits being removed as these are being broken.

Cllr Colls asked if the Youth Club can please clear out their cupboard next to the stage area. Cllr Margrave will sort this.

Cllr Colls proposed that if there is any money left over in the hall budget at the end of the financial year that the committee considers buying fold up tables which are lighter and easier to store.

H63/15 WHITNASH OPEN SPACES

A resident is interested in sponsoring a bench in memory of her father who was a Policeman in Whitnash many years ago. Members proposed that a bench could be placed on the top end of Chapel Green near the Methodist Church.

H64/15 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Minutes received from Friends of Acre Close meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2015 was noted.

H65/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

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

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