

Penkrige Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting
held on 26th May 2022 at 7.00 pm at the Haling Dene Centre

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with the inclusion of confidential matters.

<u>Present</u>		
Councillor	Andrew Lenz	[Chairman]
"	Alan Smallwood	[Vice-Chairman]
"	John Eastwood	
"	Mrs Petula M C Hughes	
"	Victor Kelly	
"	Mrs Vivienne Smith	

In attendance were Cllrs Andrew Adams, Mrs Helen Adams, Gordon Hawkins, Anthony Minshall and Calvert Stonehouse

There was one member of the public present

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

Part I Public Session

Cllrs Andrew Lenz and Calvert Stonehouse declared that they were audio recording the meeting.

1533. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cllr David Oldfield.

1534. CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

- [a] There were two nominations put forward and seconded for Chairman; Cllrs Andrew Lenz and Mrs Vivienne Smith. There were four votes for Cllr Lenz and three votes for Cllr Mrs Smith. Cllr Lenz accepted the position of Chairman to the Recreation and Amenities Committee. Cllr Lenz said it had been a privilege to be Chairman of the Committee for the past 12 months.
- [b] There were two nominations put forward and seconded for Vice Chairman; Cllrs Mrs Vivienne Smith and Alan Smallwood. There were four votes for Cllr Smallwood and three votes for Cllr Mrs Smith. Cllr Smallwood accepted the position of Vice Chairman to the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

1535. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Lenz declared an interest in Item 7 – Allotments.

1536. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)

There were no DPIs submitted.

1537. MINUTES

Resolved that:

- [a] The minutes of the meeting of 17th March be approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- [b] The minutes of the additional meeting of 21st April be approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- [b] The Follow Up sheets from the January and March meetings were received.

1538. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the minutes.

1539. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

- [a] It was noted that the Recreation and Amenities printouts for the year to date would be included on the June Full Council agenda.
- [b] It was noted that the Burial Ground printouts for the year to date would be included on the June Full Council agenda.

Recreation & Amenities

1540. ALLOTMENTS

- [a] Consideration was given to when the upgrade to the tap in the Francis Green Allotments would be undertaken.

Resolved that this be at the end of the season.

1541. PLAY AREAS

- [a] It was noted that the 21st April additional meeting consideration was given to Invited Tenders for the refurbishment of the Horsefair Play Area. Councillors chose the tender from Kompan, in principle, to provide the additional equipment at a cost of £85,435 and subject to the additional funding being reached.
- [b] Following questions raised at the above meeting with regard to the cost of securing the site and amendments to the plan, emails dated 25th April and 3rd May were received the Kompan's response and update.

Resolved that the Kompan representative be invited to attend an additional Recreation and Amenities meeting if the Council were not successful in obtaining a grant and to then decide on what equipment could be ordered with the funding available.

- [c] It was noted the required additional information had been supplied to both Veolia and the Lottery Funding for consideration at the first round.
- [d] It was noted the Play Area Inspections for 2022 are to be undertaken by Morral Play Services during July.
- [e] The PA's update on Heron Play Area was received.
Resolved that the SSC Officer and Cabinet Member be invited to a meeting to move this matter forward.
- [f] The PA advised that a Parishioner had funded the welding repairs to the Horsefair double gates.

1542. MINDFUL BENCH

- [a] It was noted that the mindful bench had been installed and painted.
- [b] The PA's update on the above was received.

Resolved that the paint be removed from the bench and a plaque be placed on the bench instead.

1543. PENKRIDGE COMMUNITY MANAGED LIBRARY

- [a] The notes were received from the meeting with SCC. Library Volunteers and the PA on 16th March.

Burial Ground

1544. MEMORIAL BENCH/TREES

- [a] Consideration was given to an email dated 15th March from a Parishioner requesting to have a memorial bench placed in the Burial Ground.
Resolved that the family be asked if they wished to plant a memorial tree or wait 12 months for a suitable location for a bench to be available.
- [b] Consideration was given to an email dated 12th May from a Parishioner requesting to have a memorial tree planted in the Burial Ground.
Resolved that the application be approved with a small native Oak tree.
- [c] Consideration was given to the PA's recommendation to have a Memorial Tree planted in the Burial Ground in memory of Cllr Mrs Isabel Ford.
Resolved that a tree be planted in the Burial Ground in memory of Cllr Mrs Ford.

1542. Local Government Act 1972 - Exclusion of Press and Public - to resolve that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph(s) Section 1[2] Public Bodies/Admission to meetings Act 1960.

1543. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 28th July at 8.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Chair: _____

Date: _____