



RECREATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council Recreation Committee on Monday 23rd April 2012 commencing at 19:00 in The Lindos Centre Conference Room Saddlemakers Lane Melton IP12 1PP.

Present:

Cllr Mrs B K Abbott
Cllr Miss K S Martin

Cllr Mr M J Kennedy
Cllr Mr A Porter

Cllr Mrs J Eckersley [Chairman]

In Attendance

Mrs Diane Linsley Assistant Clerk to Melton Parish Council

12.52 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ABSENCE

12.52.01 Cllr Mr M J Kennedy – Holiday

Council considered the apology and it was **RESOLVED** to receive the apology and consent to absence.

Proposed by: Cllr B Abbott

Seconded by: Cllr J Eckersley

12.53 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST WITH REGARD TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND ADDITIONS TO THE REGISTER

There were no declarations or additions to the register.

12.54 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

12.54.01 To receive representations from Councillors who have declared a prejudicial interest

There were no representations received from Councillors.

12.54.02 To receive representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda only

There were no representations received from members of the public.

It was **RESOLVED** to lift standing orders.

12.55 OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS

There were no members of the public present.

It was **RESOLVED** to reinstate standing orders.

12.56 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2012

It was **RESOLVED that**, the minutes REC(12)M02 previously circulated, were received and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Proposed by: Cllr M Kennedy

Seconded by: Cllr B Abbott

12.57 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK ON PROGRESS MADE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES AFFECTING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Paper REC(12)P02 was tabled..

12.58 THE PLAYING FIELDS

12.58.01 To receive the Park Warden's report and consider the duties to be undertaken whilst the Park Warden is convalescing

The Park Warden's report for February was summarised by the Assistant Clerk. There were no matters arising from the report.

Due to his recent stay in hospital The Park Warden will be away from work for some time. Whilst he is absent the gate to the Playing Field car park is to be left unlocked and open in the short term. It was agreed that a volunteer would be looked for to help with some of the duties on the Playing Field.

12.58.02 To receive an update on the raised path across the Playing Field linking Turnpike Road to Melton Road

The Assistant Clerk to meet with contractors to discuss the construction of a 'green cause way' and alternatively, a tarmac surfaced path.

12.58.03 To consider the request from Warrior Princess Fitness to use the Playing Field for fitness sessions

The Committee welcomed the use of The Playing Fields for fitness sessions by Warrior Princess Fitness.

It was RESOLVED, that subject to certain details (insurance, charging rates etc) being agreed upon the request from Warrior Princess Fitness to use the Playing Field for fitness sessions would be granted.

Proposed by: Cllr A Porter

Secoded by: Cllr J Eckersley

12.59 BURKES WOOD

12.59.01 To receive a report from Cllr Jenny Eckersley on the Tree Wardens' seminar

The seminar had been very informative and inspiring. As a result of attending the meeting Cllr Jenny Eckersley is to contact the Community Adviser for the Suffolk Wildlife Trust, Tracey Howsley, who will be able to advise the Council over the management of its pond and Burkes Wood.

12.59.02 To receive the objectives of the Woodland Management Group

A list of the objectives for the Woodland Management Group was tabled by Cllr Jenny Eckersley and discussed. The Assistant Clerk to amend the objectives in light of the discussion had. Cllr Eckersley to look into recruiting people for the group and to highlight the new group in her presentation at the Annual Parish Meeting.

The Assistant Clerk to discuss with the Clerk the need to have a list of 'preferred suppliers' to help manage the trees on the Playing Field and in Burkes Wood.

12.60 RIGHTS OF WAY

12.60.01 To receive a report on the progress made on rights of way issues within the Parish

Cllr Alan Porter reported that he had distributed public rights of way evidence forms for the link between Turnpike Lane and the Playing Fields.

12.61 THE PAVILION

12.61.01 To consider the maintenance of the pavilion

A date for the painting of the inside of the pavilion would be arranged at the next Full Council Meeting.

12.62 PLAY EQUIPMENT

12.62.01 To consider play spaces and play equipment in the Parish

A written report from Cllr Alan Porter and Cllr Katy Martin was circulated and discussed. It was agreed that the Committee would wait for information from Melton Primary School's parents association before formulating any recommendation.

12.63 TENNIS COURTS

There was nothing to report.

12.64 VILLAGE PLAN

There was nothing to report.

12.65 TO CONSIDER SCDC'S LITTER AWARENESS DAY

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not to take part in this years SCDC's Litter Awareness Day. Cllr Jenny Eckersley to circulate the information to the local parish church and school.

12.66 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

12.67 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 18th June 2012 at 19:00 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 20:30

Signed: _____ Date: _____