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RECREATION COMMITTEE

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE
NEXT MEETING**

**A MEETING OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE TOOK PLACE AT 7.30PM
IN THE HASKELL CENTRE, MIDHURST ROAD, LIPHOOK ON MONDAY 3RD
APRIL 2017.**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr J. Kirby (Chairman)
Cllr B. Easton
Cllr J. Ives
Cllr J. Poole
Mrs N Sosin (Administration Officer).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr T. Rudgard – Sports Representative
1 member of press
3 members of the public.

18/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The arrangements for fire exits and mobile phones were explained.

19/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Thea Jourdan, Cllr James Green and Cllr Eddie Trotter.

20/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

21/17 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th February 2017 were unanimously approved.

22/17 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

23/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The meeting was adjourned.

Public Questions not on the Agenda

A member of the public asked what was happening with the skate park. Councillors confirmed that a decision had not been made and all options are still being considered. It was explained that it was not simply a matter of cost but also location needed to be carefully considered.

A member of the public enquired about plans for the Beacon Building at the Recreation Ground. She wanted to know if there were plans to demolish the building and if so, when? Councillors advised that the building will be demolished but consideration needs to be given to whether it would be better to demolish this building only or the entire structure including the tractor shed as any decision would need to be cost effective.

She also wanted to know what the plans were with regards to the flower bed on the edge of the Millennium Green where bushes had been cut down to improve sight lines. The bushes were now very unsightly and 'leggy' and frequently had litter stuck in them. Councillors advised that they are looking at options but there was a plan to replant several of these beds. It was suggested that Liphook in Bloom were consulted and their advice sought. It was also suggested that business might be approached with a view to sponsorship of beds.

Public Questions on the Agenda

None.

24/17 REPORTS

T. Rudgard – Sports Representative

Mr Rudgard suggested the Parish Council email Kirsty Cope at EHDC regarding grants for training sports leaders.

Groundsman's Report

Cllr Kirby read out a report provided by Mr Terry who was unable to attend the meeting.

It was noted that the hedge on the corner of Station Road and Midhurst Road has been trimmed back and this job will now be undertaken by the Parish Council as ownership of it remains unknown.

25/17 HEIGHT RESTRICTION BAR AT WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND

It was agreed that a height restriction bar at the Recreation Ground should be installed however several football teams use minibuses and transit type vehicles which could present a problem. Tony Rudgard suggested Councillors consult Liphook Golf Club who have installed height bars and may have encountered a similar problem.

Decision: All agreed. A height bar to be installed at the Recreation Ground.

26/17 DRAINAGE AT RECREATION GROUND

It was agreed that no more drainage work would be undertaken however Groundstaff had been requested to clear out the soak away near the playpark. There is also a drain outside the park in the heather flower bed which might benefit from being cleared out occasionally.

Councillors agreed that the area outside the park which was affected by potholes would benefit from some work and ownership would need to be established as not all of this land was owned by the Parish Council.

Decision: No more drainage work to be undertaken. Ownership needs to be established of the area outside the car park (London Road) and a map showing what land the Parish own needs to be produced.

A site visit will be arranged for Councillors to meet with the resident who is unhappy with the present condition of this area.

27/17 CAR PARK AT RECREATION GROUND

The Chairman updated the committee on progress. Options are being considered including barriers to prevent cars going on to the pitch. All the options considered were under the £2000 limit.

Decision: It was agreed that the paint to mark out parking spaces could be purchased and also a sign to say access is required for emergency vehicles at all times.

28/17 TREE SURVEY

It was agreed to defer a decision on appointing a contractor for the Tree Survey until the Meeting of the Full Council later in the month.

29/17 APPLICATION TO SITE A POLYTUNNEL ON AN ALLOTMENT PLOT

All agreed to deny permission. The applicant already has a greenhouse on his plot and furthermore the polytunnel is larger than that permitted under the Tenancy Agreement.

It was suggested that the Allotment Representative be consulted regarding a review of the Tenancy Agreement in view of how many plots had now been subdivided.

Decision: Permission denied. A letter to be sent explaining not permitted under Tenancy Agreement.

30/17 BRAMSHOTT TRIANGLE

Decision: Permission granted for Bramshott Open Gardens to undertake repairs to the stone wall and a letter to be sent to this effect.

31/17 RADFORD PARK BRIDGE

Quotes have been received for constructing a new bridge however further consideration needs to be given to several matters before a decision is made. This includes taking advice from the Environment Agency regarding erosion of the bank during work and the inclusion of disabled access with hard standing.

Meeting closed - 8.37pm

Chairman

Date