

SILVERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LEISURE ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE held on MONDAY 24th JUNE 2024

Meeting commenced at 7:02pm

Present

- **Councillors**
 - Bruce Benyon – Chair (BB)
 - Tim Curtis – Vice Chair (TC)
 - Michelle Webb (MW)
 - Mark Bladon (MB)
 - Mohamad Djahanbakhsh (MD)
- **Clerk to Silverstone Parish Council**
 - Ross Sands (RS)
- **Members of the Public**
 - 2 x members of the public

1. Apologies of absence

None

2. Requests for Dispensations, Declarations of Interest, Gifts and Hospitality

None

3. Open to the public (Max. 15-minute session):

- Eb Brown
 - Raised issues with email communication RS advised that the PC are working with our email supplies to resolve the issues experienced with Yahoo and Gmail
 - Raised the relationship of the pocketed park management and the Parish Council. MB Confirmed that the insurance has been checked regarding volunteers
- Peter Holland
 - Asked who has stumped Green Lane. MW confirmed that the pay back group did the work and it is not WNC.
 - **Action:** Clerk to determine who is responsible for Green Lane maintenance

4. Councillors to approve and the Chair to sign the minutes of the last Committee Meeting: Monday 22nd January 2024.

- The approving and signing of the minutes for Monday 22nd January 2024 were deferred to the next meeting of the Leisure Enhancement Committee (Date – TBC)

5. To receive an update on the War Memorial Restoration/Repair

- BB update:
 - Suggested that through N&V we ask family members to take part in the working group
 - Limited number of responses (two) indicated that they did not want the war memorial replaced however they would like the names to be visible (e.g. metal plates) **Action:** BB to respond to village on thoughts of residents

6. To receive an update on the wheelchair accessible roundabout installation

- BB update:
 - Roundabout has been installed and residents with prams have been using it. MW commented that there had been some comments that the roundabout was a bit stiff

7. To discuss operational inspections of Church Street and Old Oak play areas and approve the required maintenance

- BB went through the quote with the committee
 - MW asked about the fixing of the spring
 - TC questioned that the quote for bench replacement seemed expensive
 - MD suggested that we split into two sections. Accept the quote for everything except the bench and seek further quote on the bench. MD Proposed, MB Seconded. All voted in favour
 - **Action:** Clerk to take quote to next PC meeting for approval of spend
 - **Action:** Clerk to obtain quote for fixing of spring

8. To discuss the Monkey Challenge Climbing Wall

- TC updated that we have the opportunity for equipment which could be free of charge (through lottery funded grant)
- MW suggested that old oak might be a better location if we decided to proceed
- MD raised queries regarding health and safety, surface surroundings, wind impacts
- BB questioned whether we would be eligible (e.g. due to funds available). Suggested we ask the supplier to confirm
- **Action:** TC to contact supplier for more information on eligibility

9. To discuss Pocket Park Risk Assessments

- Range of discussions regarding pocket parks and their operations including insurance, balancing pond, tree maintenance and volunteers
- Pocket Park working group to be established – MW, MB, Eb Brown and Peter Holland.
- **Action:** MW to report back on working group next steps, ways of working and terms of reference

10. To discuss damage to Pyghtle Kissing Gates

- Responsibility of gates was discussed by the committee. TC commented that there is a department at WNC
- **Action:** TC to contact WNC

11. PLR update.

- BB updated that they have been provided with a contact number in case of emergencies during the F! GP which will be distributed.
- BB updated that the parish has one of the lowest crime rates in WNC

12. To agree the date of Leisure Enhancement Committee Meetings for 2024-25

- BB confirmed that the preference was for meetings every 2 months.
- **Action:** Clerk to create a schedule of date

The meeting was declared closed at 8:34pm

Signed as a true and accurate record by the Chair of the Leisure Enhancement Committee

Chair:

Date: