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Marchwood Parish Council

Minutes of the Amenities Meeting of Marchwood Parish Council held at Marchwood Village Hall on Monday 12 June 2023 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors J Case, D Hindle, J Leath and M Proctor.

In attendance: C Cockeram, Deputy Parish Clerk.

Election of Chairman

AM/23/001 – RESOLVED - Cllr John Case was elected as Chairman for this committee meeting in the absence of Cllr Nigel Buckett.

Apologies

AM/23/002 – Cllrs Buckett and Saxby gave apologies (personal reasons).

Declarations of Interest

AM/23/003 – There were no declarations of interest for this meeting.

Public Participation

AM/23/004 – the residents who requested Agenda Item 10 attended the meeting for this item.

Minutes

AM/23/005 - RESOLVED – to accept the minutes of the Amenities meeting held on Monday 11 April 2023 as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman.

Chairman's Report

AM/23/006 – A thank you to the ground staff for the lovely flower display at the Falklands Memorial. There were positive comments regarding the new plaque and the request to discover the history behind it.

The Chairman moved item 10 up the agenda so members of the public could participate.

Trees situated in Maritime Avenue

AM/23/007 – The residents had submitted a proposal for the removal and replacement of the 7 trees directly behind their properties. This is due to the height and size of the trees and the lack of light into the properties. They agreed to fully finance the proposal between the seven houses affected.

The Chairman emphasised that this would set a precedent if agreed. As this is a conservation area it was recommend that NFDC be consulted, and they would have the ultimate say.

RESOLVED – to contact the NFDC Corporate Tree Officer and arrange a meeting with the residents. Any NFDC officers' costs to be met by the Parish Council if requested.

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Budget Income and Expenditure

AM/23/008- The budget and expenditure up to 31/05/2023 was noted.

As the budget was being discussed it was agreed to discuss Item 12 Emergency lighting at the Lloyd Recreation Ground and item 16 EICR report forward

RESOLVED – to accept the works quoted and to proceed. To consider a future amid year budget for submission to P&R.

Marketing Strategy for Lloyd Recreation Ground

AM/23/009 - RESOLVED – a working party comprising of, Cllrs Buckett and Cllr Leath, the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to increase the usage and income.

The Chairman reported that his meeting with Southampton Football Club was informative and that the ground staff were invited to the grounds for discussion with their ground team regarding football pitch care and maintenance.

AMF Supervisors Report

AM/23/010 – the report was noted. Members noted that one of the vehicles had two oil changes in quick succession. The question was are they 'fit for purpose'.

It was agreed the Deputy Clerk with the AMF Supervisor investigate alternative vehicles and report back to the full Parish Council.

Gate at Cork Field

AM/23/011 – Members noted the request and no further action required.

Bench by the Under 12's Play Area.

AM/23/012 – Members noted the residents' concerns. No further action taken. To engage with the local PCSO's and Youth Worker to request local site visits.

Community Initiatives – To discuss the following:

AM/23/013 - Litter picking and wildflowers – Members thanked Gary Wright for his report. The next community litter pick will be on Saturday 15th July at 10am behind St. Johns Church.

Councillors noted a recent survey conducted on social media regarding the rewilding of the canals at Admiralty Quay were 44 positive reactions; 29 positive comments; 0 negative reactions; 1 neutral comment and 1 negative comment.

Parish Council Amenities Committee priorities for 2023/24

AM/23/014 - Healthy Walks around the Village: A meeting had been arranged in July between officers at NFDC, the Chairman of Amenities, the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to discuss the way forward.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm