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Marchwood Parish Council

Minutes of the Amenities Meeting of Marchwood Parish Council held at Marchwood Village Hall on Monday 15th April 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors N Buckett, J Case, D Hindle, M Proctor, P Mballa, M Saxby, L Shelley & Leath.

In attendance: C Cockeram, Deputy Parish Clerk.

Also present: Three members of the public.

Apologies

AM/24/057 – No apologies.

Declarations of Interest:

AM/24/058 – Cllr Saxby declared a personal interest in Agenda item 10 being related to the organiser.

Public Participation:

AM/24/059 – Residents expressed concern regarding the proposed siting of the new benches at the Lloyd Recreation Ground. Their concerns related to anti-social behaviour and the benches being too close to their boundary fence. They stated that there had been damage to property in the past and this was their concern. Concern was also expressed regarding the car park and the noise generated by cars arriving late at night.

Councillors responded by saying no decision has been made to where the benches were going to be placed yet, however, it would be around the area where the 'old scout hut' was situated.

The Parish Council were trying to generate an income stream by supplying vending machines and seating.

It is further intended to promote nature awareness by providing a hedgehog enclosure which will be fenced off.

CCTV has been installed in the area to help with monitoring anti-social behaviour. The benches will be semi-permanent and monitored and if necessary, action will be taken.

Residents were advised to contact the police with regards to anti-social behaviour.

Chairman's Report:

AM/24/060 – Cllr Buckett reported that he has had positive responses regarding the cutting of the canals at Admiralty Quay. He is still awaiting a response from NFDC regarding the Healthy Walks.

Minutes:

AM/24/061 - RESOLVED – to accept the minutes of the Amenities meeting held on Monday 12th February 2024 as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman.

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Budget Income and Expenditure up to 31/03/2024:

AM/24/0462 - RESOLVED: Noted: Members requested that a narrative could be added to all future budgets explaining any reason for an increase, so it is clear for everyone.

AMF Supervisors Report:

AM/24/063 – The Amenities, Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor’s report was noted.

Ditch along Cork Lane:

AM/24/064 – Cllrs Bucket and Case alliterated they had looked at land registry documents and the lease of Cork field. The issues concerning the blocked ditch was due to the blockage by Normandy Way. Until this is addressed the issue will continue. Working with the other two authorities, NFDC and HCC to investigate and resolve the issue.

Cleaning of the Pavilion /The Hub.

AM/24/065: Due to the increased usage of the Pavilion and The Hub cleaning of the facility was discussed.

RESOLVED: It was agreed that an initial deep clean was arranged at £235.00 plus VAT and then further weekly cleans thereafter. This will be monitored and altered accordingly.

Local Artist Expo:

AM/24/66: A request for the use of Marchwood Hub for a local amateur artist exhibition in June was approved. Date to be confirmed.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to facilitate the exhibition free of charge.

Community Initiatives – To discuss the following:

AM/24/067 - Litter picking – the next scheduled date was 24th April 2024.

AM/24/068 - Wildflowers – no update.

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AM/24/069 - Healthy Walks around the Village: There has been no further updates from NFDC. District Councillors to follow up on this.

Correspondences:

AM/24/070: There was no correspondence.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm. The date of the next meeting will be 17th June 2024.