



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Play Area Committee at 6.30pm
on Tuesday 13 June 2017

MINUTES

Present: Mr Richard Andrews, Mr Gordon Beach, Mr Andrew Bickley, Ms Sue Brown, Mrs Katherine Crowe, Ms Sue Osborne and Dr Mark Zumbuhl.

17/P60 To elect a Committee Chairman for 2017/18 – Cllr Zumbuhl was elected as Chairman for the Council year 2017/18.

17/P61 Apologies for absence – Cllr Ross Macken.

17/P62 Declarations of Interest – None.

17/P63 To review the minutes of the last meeting of the 14 March 2017 – The minutes were reviewed. For approval at the next Full Parish Council meeting.

17/P64 Public Participation – No members of the public were present.

17/P65 Correspondence – No items raised.

17/P66 To review income, expenditure against budget – Financial information was reviewed.

To consider repairs and ongoing maintenance reports:-

17/P67 Old Witney Road – Broken bench has been repaired. Notice has been replaced. Goal mouth area needs refurbishing using wetpour which is required to be at the same level as the grassed area. (This action also applies to the 2 goal mouths at Dovehouse Close play area). It was noted that the area under the multiply equipment has sunk and needs filling from underneath to prevent the bonded surface ripping. Clerk is to obtain quotes for the above work. It was noted that the stepping planks are starting to split and need replacing. Cllr Andrews is to pursue completion of this task (and walkway planks task below) by Trevor Stewart if the cost is less than £300.

17/P68 Dovehouse 'Come and Play' – The walkway planks are to be trimmed. Noted that the trampoline and bark work is complete. Climbing wall is showing signs of rot which is also to be assessed by Trevor. The mound has been dug by children and needs to be repaired – Ubico has been asked to inspect and recommend actions. The basket swing top links need to be replaced by Ubico as a matter of priority.

17/P69 Oxford Road including zip wire and graffiti wall – The following work is required:-

- Gates need to have new self-closing mechanisms installed:-
 - Gate next to toilet block – Needs a self-closing mechanism and Ubico to also recommend a parent-lock mechanism.
 - 2 Gates from Bitterell – May need to have new gates installed to allow installation of this mechanism.
- Inspection panel under wire climbing unit – Ubico to reinforce.
- Refurbish/replace slabs at the top of the climbing wall to make it water proof to stop damp from entering the brickwork.
- Seat in the north field needs to have new planks installed by Ubico.
- Clerk is to check how often the north field is being litter-picked by Ubico (a thorough litter-pick is required once a month).
- Clerk is to check the fence on the west side of the north field and make recommendations for repair.
- Ubico advise there are 2 old fixings in the ground which are a potential trip hazard. Committee agreed they should be removed.
- Noted that the cradle swings have been replaced by Ubico (as an urgent safety priority).

17/P70 To receive an update on the Skate Park and consider bench installation – Item deferred to the next meeting pending further consideration.

17/P71 To receive an update on proposals for the change of use of the Public Toilets building and agree actions – Cllr Beach is due to meet with Bidwells to review an area of land and will discuss the permission request with them at the same time. For discussion at Full Parish Council Meetings.

17/P72 To note existing fee payment arrangements for football and consider recommendations to Full Council – For discussion at the next Finance & General Purpose meeting.

17/P73 To discuss any future requirements – New equipment for young children at the Old Witney Road play area was discussed. Cllr Beach asked members to consider large play equipment projects given the likely S106 monies from future developments. An outdoor gym was briefly discussed.

17/P74 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 12 September at 6.30pm.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm