DITTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OPEN SPACES & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 21st MARCH 2022

PRESENT: CLLRS MR N NEWMAN, A MULCUCK &, MRS A THROSSELL

& MR J LOVER [EX-OFFICIO]

MRS GEMMA JEFFS [ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT]

390. **OPENING OF MEETING**

The meeting was opened by Cllr Newman, after being nominated to take the meeting in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair at 7.45pm.

391. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Dearden. The previously notified reasons for absence were **ACCEPTED** and **APPROVED** and recorded in the absence book Ref. 490.

392. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

None received.

393. FINANCE

(a) Financial Analysis Month 10

CIRCULATED, READ & NOTED

394. RECREATION GROUNDS MATTERS

(a) Kilnbarn Play Park – Memorial bench request update

Further to a request that was **READ** at last month's meeting for a Memorial Bench. The location will now be within the Trim trail area on the Kilnbarn Recreational ground.

RESOLVED To accede to this request.

(b) MUGA hire fee review

It was **NOTED** at this point in time the fees will not increase for the hire of the MUGA. It was further **NOTED** that the fee's will be reviewed annually.

(c) Petanque Piste Club Licence

The licence was READ & CIRCULATED.

RESOLVED The Licence should be re issued for a further 5 years and the fee has been reviewed but no be increased.



(d) Change of surface for the MUGA

It was **REPORTED** that Ditton Minors would like to attend a meeting with all members of the Council to discuss plans to refurbish the multi use games area. A meeting date and time to be **AGREED.**

(e) Request to use Recreational Grounds Ditton Minors Presentation

A request was **READ** for use of the Recreational Grounds on July 16th 2022 for a football presentation, with the use of outside space for goals. Public Liability will need to be produced prior to the event.

RESOLVED To accede to this request

395. **ALLOTMENT MATTERS**

(a) Allotment Rents - Update

It was **REPORTED** that all rents are complete.

(b) Allotment Managers Report

Cllr Throssell **READ** the Allotment Managers report and a discussion took place regarding the following points:

It was **AGREED** that new plot holders will need to show a copy of the liability insurance when taking on a plot & the rents will be reviewed in October 2022.

The cost of keys will need to reflect the key deposit taken.

It was further **AGREED** that DATS are to be contacted when a new plot is being showed along with a member of the grounds team.

It was **REPORTED** a plot that received a warning letter, still had not made any improvement. Whilst the Council was sympathetic to these reasons to why the plot hasn't been worked all Councillors were in **AGREEMENT** that the tenancy agreement would be terminated & the plot holder be offered a special social membership within DATS.

396. **TREES**

(a) Woodland Trust Pack

The Administrative Assistant **REPORTED** the cost of the woodland trust wildlife tree pack was £115.00 for saplings to be planted in the Quarry/Nature Reserve in the Autumn. All Councillors were in **AGREEMENT** these are to be purchased in Autumn ready for tree planning season.

397. CLOSURE

The meeting closed 8.38pm.