

Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held at 6pm on Thursday 19th May 2022 In the Windrush Room, The George Moore Community Centre

Those Present: Cllr B Hadley (Chairman), Cllrs A Davis, M Macklin, P Millett, A Roberts, B Sumner and L Wilkins.

In Attendance: Sharon Henley, Clerk/RFO

Members of public: 2

Public Session: A close neighbour of the site outlined the impact that the noise from the new MUGA was having on those whose gardens backed onto the site. Since the new MUGA had been built the equipment had been used much more than the goals ends which had been sited there before. The noise from balls being kicked against the re-used goals ends in the MUGA was significant and intrusive and much louder than when balls were kicked against the MUGA's side panels which were made of an upgraded and newer specification. He had spoken to other neighbours who agreed that noise reduction was required as soon as possible to reduce the impact on their lives.

22/053 Apologies for absence: Cllrs S Coventry, L Hicks, N Randall, B Wragge.

22/054 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda: There were none.

22/055 Noise reduction works at The Naight MUGA

- a) To review advice received from contractor following discussions at the previous Council meeting (Paper 1). Kompan had issued advice on warranty and which elements of the remedial work should be included in the quote to achieve the best outcome and this was reviewed and noted. In addition, the Clerk had been asked to investigate the possibility of a Product Liability Claim but the Council's insurers advised that a claim would be unlikely to succeed because the product was not faulty and did the job it was intended to do.

It was noted the Parish Council had specified that contractors should re-use the existing goal ends at The Naight to form part of the new MUGA and this was clearly stated in the original tender documentation as agreed by Council. The existing goals ends and panels behind were of a different and older specification to the new side panels which was the root cause of the problem with noise.

- b) To consider quote for noise reduction remedial works at the MUGA by Kompan at £5,995.73 + VAT (Paper 2) and any other quotes received prior to the meeting. The quote included replacing existing goal ends and panels behind and replacing them with the same specification as the side panels. Vertical poles to be placed mid-way between each upright to offer additional stability. Noise reducing rubberised inserts to be fitted in the goal ends and all side fixings to be solid steel straps. Two further contractors had declined to quote due to warranty concerns. A fourth contractor had made recommendations and quoted but the cost was far in excess of that quoted by Kompan.
- c) To determine actions and sources of funding for work.

Following discussion the Clerk was asked to approach Kompan to request a discount on their quote to reflect past and future business. If this was declined then it was agreed that the Kompan quote should be accepted at £5,995.73. As there was no budget provision the costs to be charged as follows:

£2,500 Youth Club budget (grant funding had now been obtained for this budgeted amount)

£1,000 Thriving Communities Grant earmarked reserve

£200 Father Brown Filming

The balance to be taken from the Contingency budget.

Proposed by Cllr Hadley, seconded by Cllr Roberts and unanimously APPROVED.

22/056 Annual Governance and Accountability Return Sections 1 & 2: To re-approve following a correction to the minute references shown on the forms:

- a) Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 (Paper 3a). Proposed by Cllr Hadley, seconded by Cllr Macklin. The document was then signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

- b) Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2021/22 (Papers 3b). Proposed by Cllr Hadley, seconded by Cllr Roberts and unanimously APPROVED. The document was signed by the Chairman.

22/057 Any items to note: There were none.

22/058 Next Meeting: The next full Council Meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday 8th June 2022 in the Windrush Room, The George Moore Community Centre.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 18.25 hours.