

Draft Minutes of the Virtual Bell Meadow Committee Meeting held via Zoom on Thursday 4th February 2021 at 7.00pm. (subject to approval at the next meeting)

Present: Sue Irving (Chairperson), Sonya Smyth, Lisa Bryant, Matt Feekings, Toni Hazard, Cllr Lee Ageros Also, Present: Sara Archer – PC Clerk.

1. Apologies

None received.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated to the members present. It was identified that the initials in brackets in Item two should be WSCA, and Sonya Smyth's objections to the amendment of the previous minutes was noted.

3. Chairperson's Report

Matt Feekings confirmed he would be prepared to remain as a non-voting member of the Committee as Bookings Officer, and resign from the Website Administrator role as necessary. During the period of advertisement and hand-over, he would declare an interest at the meetings and not be included in any voting. All were in agreement with this arrangement.

Cllr Ageros confirmed the Parish Council had approved the Committee to obtain quotes for a hand basin to be installed in the kitchen. Toni and Sonya would bring the quotes for consideration to the next meeting. A stainless steel sink would be preferable.

The Clerk advised she had contacted the handymen with a list of work to be carried out, which included, re-staining the noticeboard, weeding at the rear of the building and strengthening the front door.

4. Pavilion Security/Health & Safety

The key holders for the Pavilion were confirmed as the PC Chairman and Clerk, and a set held in the keysafe.

5. Bookings / 6. Bell Meadow Profile

A designated website and calendar for the Pavilion was discussed. At the moment, the Pavilion has it's own page on the Parish Council website which can be used to advertise events/fundraising accordingly.

7. Cricket

The Clerk advised the draft working agreement had been circulated. The days/times of use for the Pavilion required further investigation as it was not yet known how often the cricket club required use of the facilities.

Discussion took place regarding the maintenance and sole use of the pitch by Reculver Cricket Club. It was agreed that a balance should be reached between use by the Community and by the Club.

A suggestion was made to make enquiries about the cost involved in renovating the pitch, in order to make a comparison with the potential hire fees that may be waived for Reculver Club, and which may also provide the opportunity for other Cricket Clubs to use the facilities if required.

It was agreed that a public consultation was undertaken to evaluate resident's opinions regarding the reintroduction of cricket to the Meadow.

A leaflet would be produced to advertise the Committee and vacant positions and also include information regarding the cricket, to encourage public participation.

Future events are to be considered to be held at Bell Meadow, and the applications made at the same time as the fireworks event in order to minimize the application fee.

The meeting was concluded by The Chairperson at approx. 8:30pm.

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