

Melbourne Parish Council

Mrs J Storer - Parish Clerk, 2 Mansfields Croft, Etwall, Derbyshire DE65 6NJ



Minutes of the Facilities Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Facilities Committee held at 7.30pm Monday 9th December 2013 at the Shorne Room, Melbourne

Present: Cllr Hudson (Chairman), Hicklin, Howard, Collyer, Minifie (from 7.35pm), the Clerk. Cllr Parker whilst not a member of the Committee, was in attendance.

29. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Jackson.

30. Minutes of the previous Facilities Committee meeting held 11th November 2013 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

7.35pm Cllr Minifie arrived

31. Consideration was given to the 2014 Summer Sports activities with various options being considered, including whether to hold any future sessions due to limited finances; whether to give a presentation at the School assembly; and perhaps to have all the activities in one location. The matter was deferred to the next meeting.

32. Lothian Gardens –The Clerk has attempted to contact the police for an update on the criminal damage investigations and when payment for the damage can be expected. However, there has been no reply to her emails. The Clerk will continue in her efforts to obtain information. **(Action: Clerk)**

33. Public Toilets – As reported at the Parish Council meeting held 3rd December, the public toilets and Lothian Gardens have now been included on the list of Community Assets and no further action is required to be taken at present.

34. Reports from Cllrs areas of responsibility
Cenotaph – Cllr Hicklin nothing to report

Lothian Gardens – Cllr Minifie

Two quotes have been obtained for the replacement fencing around the Toddler area. Cllr Minifie advised that an anti bullying gate was probably not required in the Toddler Area and this was agreed. The Clerk was requested to obtain clarification from ROSPA as to whether the hoops on the fence top comply with any safety requirements.

AGREED: to accept the quote from Ilkeston Fencing and for the work to start in the new financial year.

AGREED to re-erect the netting at the back of the Gardens **(Action: Clerk)**

Public toilets – Cllr Minifie nothing to report

Recreation Ground – nothing to report

Thomas Cooke Gardens – nothing to report

Bus shelter – nothing to report

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The lights within the bus shelter were previously reported as working on an intermittent basis. The Clerk arranged for them to be inspected and reported that the lights in the bus shelter are working. The matter will be monitored.

35. The Facilities Committee was requested to reconsider its previous recommendation not to obtain a defibrillator. Initially the Committee was of the opinion that the matter had been discussed previously at great length and that little had changed, but on further discussion it was considered that it may be feasible to have two defibrillators at different locations, suggested possible locations are at the Assembly Rooms and at the Fire Station. AGREED the Clerk was requested to investigate whether grant funding is available for two defibrillators. **(Action: Clerk)**

Standing Orders were suspended to allow comment from the Floor

Cllr Parker enquired whether it would be worthwhile investigating again the possibility of the First Responder scheme.

The Chairman returned to Standing Orders.

36. Budget – the draft budget for the Facilities Committee activities had been previously circulated to all members. The budget was analysed and minor amendments made. The major area of concern however, was the funding expectations of the MSP and any on going financial commitments. Concerns in particular were raised about the crossover of the running costs of the existing pavilion and the expected provision of £5000 to the MSP. AGREED: to reduce the budgeted provision to the MSP for 2014/2015 to £2500.

37. Date of next meeting: to be advised at the Parish Council meeting on 3rd December 2013.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:14pm

Cllr Jackson– Chairman