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 11th November 2013 at the Shorne Room, Melbourne

Present: Cllr Jackson (Chairman), Howard (from 7.45pm), Hudson, Minifie, Smith, the Clerk.

Cllrs Carroll, Collyer and Sharp; whilst not members of the Committee were in attendance as observers.

- 20. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hicklin.
- 21. Minutes of the previous Facilities Committee meeting held 7th October 2013 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true record.
- 22. The amended invoice for the Summer Sports activities has arrived and was passed for payment.

Cllr Jackson requested feedback on the activities and information on which are the preferred activities. Cllr Minifie commented that a large amount of advertising was undertaken, but it still appears that many were unaware of the events taking place. Any thoughts as to how the events and activities can be further publicised will be welcomed.

- 23. Lothian Gardens An update on the anti social behaviour and criminal damage investigations were provided at the Full Parish Council meeting held last week.
- 24. Public Toilets The Clerk has received and circulated an email from SDDC. requesting a meeting between SDDC, the PC, MARS about the future of the public toilets. This request appears to have been made in light of the Parish Council's application to have the toilets and Lothian Gardens listed as a community asset. A meeting is to be held on Monday 18th November at MARS at 6.30pm. A decision on the application to have the toilets and Lothian Gardens listed as a community asset is expected by 3rd December.

A discussion took place about the purpose of the meeting. No conclusions were reached.

25. A paving slab at Thomas Cooke Gardens has been repaired.

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

Lothian Gardens - Cllr Minifie

AGREED to replace the wooden fence around the Toddler area with metal fencing.

Quotes will be obtained. (Action: Cllr Jackson)

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

Public toilets – Cllr Smith & Cllr Minifie nothing to report

Recreation Ground – Cllr Jackson nothing to report

Thomas Cooke Gardens – Cllr Smith nothing to report

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Bus shelter - Cllr Smith

The lights within the bus shelter are working on an intermittent basis. The Clerk will arrange for them to be inspected (Action: Clerk)

27. The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow comment from the Floor Cllr Carroll sought clarification re the implications for having an asset listed as a community asset. Cllr Collyer explained that if the asset was to be sold, then the listing acts as a buffer to allow community groups the opportunity to generate funding and to make an offer to purchase the asset.

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

There being no further business, the meting closed at 8:00pm

Cllr Jackson- Chairman