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**MINUTES OF THE PARKS, OPEN SPACES AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017 AT SHORTLANESEND VILLAGE HALL AT 7.17PM.**

**073/2017 PRESENT: CLLRS: J KEVERNE, K HART, J DUNN, I HOLROYD, S HORNE**

**Also present: Mrs Karen Harding – Clerk to the Council, Cllr. F J Dyer, Cllr. Tinney, Cllr. Robinson, Cllr. K Polkinghorne, Cllr. Hilton, Cllr. Shenton**

## **074/2017 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**Cllr. K Hart**

**Proposed by: Cllr. J Dunn**

**Seconded by: Cllr. J Keverne**

**Vote: unanimous**

**RESOLVED: To elect Cllr. K Hart as Chairman of the Parks, Amenities and Open Spaces Committee.**

## **075/2017 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

**Cllr. J Keverne**

**Proposed by: Cllr. K Hart**

**Seconded by: Cllr. I Holroyd**

**Vote: unanimous**

**RESOLVED: To elect Cllr. J Keverne as Vice Chairman of the Parks, Amenities and Open Spaces Committee.**

## **076/2017 APOLOGIES: CLLR. J BURLINSON**

### **077/2017 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest.

### **078/2017 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (10 MINUTES MAXIMUM, 3 MINUTES' MAXIMUM PER PERSON)**

No public participation.

### **079/2017 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING**

- S106 monies for playing fields – to discuss how to progress funding applications

The committee discussed the information from Cornwall Council regarding the S106 monies available in Kenwyn Parish. It was noted a lot of money could be used to improve particularly Threemilestone Playing Field.

Cllr. Horne felt the plan the parish council had some years ago should be revisited and reconsidered. He also felt it may be beneficial to involve the Football Club in the project. He had visited the playing field at Threemilestone and felt it was not welcoming and in fact looked like a derelict site. If the site was improved Cllr. Horne felt it may stop some of the vandalism.

Cllr. Keverne and Cllr. Dyer recapped the problems in the past with the Football Club and also explained how the field was purchased originally and how it must always remain a recreational area for the whole village and not for anyone's exclusive use. Cllr. Dyer also spoke on the need for a certain amount of recreational space for the village and how this involved the planners when they were looking at future development.

Cllr. Keverne wondered how long the parish council should keep wasting money at Threemilestone given the level of vandalism and the level of interest the village took in it.

The Chairman felt it was time to step back and go to the community and ask them by way of a public meeting what they wanted to happen at the playing field. He felt the community needed to be informed of the problems being faced by the parish council and that they should decide on the future and how the S106 money could be used. He wondered if the current damage being inflicted on the field was in order for claims to be made against the parish council. He also wondered if the field should just be closed.

Cllr. Polkinghorne spoke on other options for the Football Club and in particular a County Farms field known locally as the 'cow field'. This could be pursued by the parish council in order to find a permanent ground for the football teams and therefore the playing field would not be required.

Cllr. Hart stated he wished to hold a public meeting. Cllr. Horne felt this was a good idea. Cllr. Shenton felt this may not reach the right age group. She wondered if social media should be used instead. Cllr. Shenton was asked to follow this up.

Cllr. Tinney agreed with Cllr. Horne that the local community needed to get involved and this should include Threemilestone Football Club. He suggested a small building to accommodate changing rooms could be built and be used by all users of the field, not just a football team. This building could be used to house a CCTV system. He also advised the timescales to apply for the S106 money were quite tight so it was necessary to get things moving quickly.

Cllr. Hart felt toilets were desperately needed and it was noted someone would be needed to look after them.

The Clerk advised the previous plan the parish had for the field would cost over £1/2 million so this would need to be scaled back. She also advised the Mount Pleasant Lane amount of just over £77,000 had been earmarked for the Chyvelah Ope Play Area so there wasn't as much money as perhaps thought for Threemilestone. Cllr. Horne felt some of this money should be diverted to Threemilestone and Cllr. Tinney advised if a good enough case was put forward this was possible.

Cllr. Horne felt someone should be employed to survey the playing field at Threemilestone and advise on multi sports use and how this could be laid out. If this was done prior to a public meeting then those attending would have something to consider and this would be better received and supported.

Cllr. Dyer supported this suggestion and asked that the planners be involved too.

- Improvements to Threemilestone Playing Field

This had been covered in the first discussion regarding the S106 money.

- Surface works required in infant/junior play area – Threemilestone Playing Field

After some discussion, it was:

**RESOLVED: To recommend to the full council the bark be removed from the worst affected area, the levels be raised, concrete laid and rubber tiles be purchased by the council and laid down as recommended in the Infant/Junior Play Area at Threemilestone Playing Field.**

**Proposed by: Cllr. Hart**

**Seconded by: Cllr. Keverne**

**Vote: unanimous**

- Feasibility of CCTV Installation at Threemilestone Playing Field

Cllr. Horne advised cameras could be mounted on a pole at Threemilestone and could be monitored from anywhere, perhaps even via the broadband link at Shortlanesend Village Hall.

It would be necessary to look into a power supply from the existing pole.

It was also felt that perhaps a small container could be purchased or rented to house the recording and monitoring equipment.

Cllr. Horne advised this was not necessary. He was asked to investigate this further and come back with the necessary information. The Clerk advised Western Power would need to be approached by Cllr. Horne regarding the electricity supply.

- Areas for weed spraying in Kenwyn Parish

Members were asked to compile a list of areas where weed spraying was required and send this to the Clerk before the parish council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July.

**080/2017. ANY OTHER ITEM THE CHAIRMAN DEEMS AS URGENT**

There were no other urgent items.

**The meeting closed at 8.20pm.**