

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 26th March 2021

Present: Councillor J Adshead in the chair.
Councillors C Sizeland, S Walters, N Wetters-Gourlay
and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs E Howe – Assistant to the Clerk
Mr P Brown – Park Manager

Apologies: None.

21/360 Public Speaking

There was one member of the public present, none wished to speak.

21/361 Report and update from the Assistant Clerk

DC have responded to inform the committee they want a different application form completing to gain permission to install planters on the highway.

Resolved: The Assistant Clerk will complete the new forms.

Quotations have been obtained for easy access and wheelchair accessible recycled plastic picnic benches.

Resolved: Links to the quotations are to be emailed to the Councillors and an agenda item be added to the full Council Meeting agenda to make a decision.

HPBC Regeneration Officer has responded to inform the Committee that DCC are now installing the bicycle racks themselves and clarification is being sought on whether the Parish Council is on the list to received one.

Resolved: The Assistant Clerk is to remain in contact with the HPBC Regeneration Officer and Cllr Sizeland is to email a link to Bicycle racks he has found to the Committee.

It was reported there are 2 people on the waiting list for an allotment at the Dove Holes site.

It was proposed a plaque matching the one in the new centenary planter be obtain and installed in one of the flowerbeds to acknowledge the donation bequeathed to be spent in the Memorial Park.

Resolved: All agreed to install once the flowerbed has been clad in the new stone.

21/362 Park Manager Report

The Park Manager provided the Committee with an update and reported on projects undertaken within the park.

The Committee thanked the Park Manager for all his efforts in improving the park.

Cllr Young reported HPBC have obtained monies to plant native trees within the park in memory of people who have passed away during the COVID pandemic.

Resolved: Cllr Yung is to obtain more details and report back to the Committee.

21/363 Grit Bin Requests

Cllr Young proposed a motion to request 4 grit bins from DCC. The 4 grit bins requested will be sited on DCC Highways and we will be responsible for these bins. The locations to be requested are:

Lesser Lane, Combs

The Avenue, Combs

Corner of Horsefair Avenue and Spencer Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Brookside Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Resolved: All agreed to request four grit bins for the above locations. It was also agreed a request be made to DCC to add the Parish Council grit bins to DCC online portal.

21/364 Motion from Cllr Young - As we now have purchased a good second hand mower, I ask the council to agree to now seek funding from the various grant schemes to purchase a replacement tractor with a cab (due to our weather conditions) and a tipping trailer to replace our old unsafe one. This would move us forward and be very useful as we have five sites over a large area to look after in the parish.

Resolved: It was agreed the Park Manager obtain quotes for the required trailer, the Committee will revisit the purchase of a new tractor later in the year.

21/365 Extend the contracts of temporary staff until the end of April 2021.

Resolved: All Committee members voted and agreed the contracts of the temporary park staff are to be extended until the end of June 2021.

21/366 Noticeboard update – Cllr Walters

Cllr Walters reported she is still waiting for some of the quotes.

21/367 Correspondence

Correspondence received regarding issues relating to out of control dogs and dog fouling at Needhams Recreation Ground. It was agreed to forward the complaint to HPBC Dog Control Warden and install new signage in the recreation ground. Cllr Gourlay to propose a layout for the new sign.

A request has been received from the Royal British Legion to hold an event to celebrate the RBL centenary in the Memorial Park on 24th July 2021. It was agreed the park is a public place and the RBL can hold their event there.

A request to install a lamp post on Park Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith has been received.

It was agreed to write to the resident to request further information from all the residents of Park Road regarding the possibility of a donation towards the lamp post and if there is an electricity supply.

Park Bench Relocation – a complaint has been received regarding the location of a bench at the top of the park at the rear of the gardens of Jubilee Road. It was agreed to inform the resident that the Committee acknowledge their concerns and, the Committee have currently undertaken a review of the benches in the park and are ordering new picnic tables, and this may alleviate the situation. If the problem persists then the issue can be revisited. The Committee welcome any ideas from the resident that may aid with the issue of ASB within the park.

21/368 Any other business

None.

21/369 Date to be set for the next full Amenities Committee meeting.

Next meeting will be held on Friday 30th April 2021 at 2.30pm

21/370 Part 2 - Business transacted after the exclusion of the public and Press

None.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.28pm

CHAIRMAN