

Minutes of the SERVICES COMMITTEE Meeting

Held on Tuesday 6th February 2017 in the Council Office at 8.00pm

Cllrs Mrs M Heath (MH) - Chairman Mrs S Williams (SW) - Vice-Chairman # Mr W Davey (WD) # Dr G Hollis (GH)	Dr J Newby (JN) Mrs M Skelton (MS) Mr S Sproul (SS) Dr J Walsh (JW)
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Co Clerk Mr Roy Hill (RH)

Item Number	Minutes of the Meeting	Actions to be taken
1702/00	<u>Aims and Objectives of the Committee</u> Were endorsed and approved.	
1702/01	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> As denoted by # above No apologies received ##	
1702/02	<u>Notification of any urgent matters to be taken under item No 1702/15</u> The Chairman asked that the following matters be taken 1. A412 Footpath Feasibility Study 2. Bus Stop in Moorfield Road by Savay Lane/Link Road 3. Community Pay Back Scheme 4. Community Asset Fund	
1702/03	<u>Matters dealt with under urgent action since the last meeting on Monday 3 January 2017.</u> None	
1702/04	<u>Matters arising from the distributed minutes of the Services Committee held on Monday 3 January 2017 not dealt with in the agenda</u> None	
1702/05	<u>Correspondence List.</u> None	
1702/06	<u>Financial Report.</u> The latest Services Income and Expenditure report was distributed at the meeting. The Co Clerk was asked to clarify whether payment had been made for the repaired streetlights on the Pyghtle and in various places across Denham and to report back.	RH
1702/07	<u>Devolution of Services Update</u> The report was noted.	
1702/08	<u>New Denham Allotments</u> The committee noted that a new banner advertising the availability of vacant allotment plots had been ordered. It was also recommended	

	that we should consider advertising the vacant plots in In and Around. The Co Clerk was asked whether any progress had been made on setting up the Allotment Users Group and he reported that the it was scheduled for this month and that he would report progress at the next meeting.	RH
1702/09	<u>Play Areas and Open Spaces</u> 1. <u>Play Areas</u> Tatling End - The Co Clerk reported on the installation of the new slide at Tatling End. JN stated that he personally did not like the new slide because the space between the steps on the ladder were wider than previously and that the slide was not as high. The Co Clerk replied that the steps were of the approved RoSPA standard. 2. <u>Outside Gym Equipment</u> The Co Clerk reported that he had received a visit from <i>Streetscape</i> who were able to advise on the supply equipment along with specialist advice on obtaining funding of £10,000, from Awards for All. <i>Streetscape</i> have a discounted package of equipment available for £10,000. The Co Clerk was requested to obtain more information on the funding opportunities and to investigate, with the company, suitable locations. 3. <u>Alderbourne and Tilehouse Fields</u> The Co Clerk distributed a report that indicates that subject to final agreement BCC are prepared to offer the Parish Council a 999 year lease on Tilehouse Field at a Peppercorn Rent and a 25 year lease on the Alderbourne Field. Whilst the committee welcomed the news there was concern about securing funding to enable the offer to be accepted and also recognised the need for adequate access and suitable car parking. MH expressed concern about having the resources available to complete the necessary Funding Applications and SW suggested that we investigate the possible recruitment of a 'volunteer' with specialist experience in this field. It was also reported of the availability of the Old Mill Road Field which may provide the necessary access and also provide car parking. RH was requested to prepare some detailed thoughts on options available and a 'estimate' on costs etc. 4. <u>Cricketfield Bungalow</u> Taken under Part 2.	RH RH
1702/10	<u>Denham Cricket Club</u> Taken under Part 2	
1702/11	<u>Lighting Consideration</u> Priory Close The council had received a complaint of poor street lighting in Priory	

	Close and the Co Clerk distributed to the committee a report. Following a lengthy discussion it was AGREED to await the fitting of the new brighter lights scheduled to be completed in the new financial year.	
1702/12	<u>Highway Considerations</u> The Co Clerk reported that he had been informed by our TfB LAT that following consultation with County Councillor Roger Reed the following roads had been included, for re-surfacing, over the next 4 years: Ashmead Lane, Broadway East, Oxford Gardens, Rectory Lane and the Service Road adjacent to the North Orbital between Denham Green Lane and Tilehouse Way.	
1702/13	<u>Parish Online</u> The Co Clerk recommended to the committee that we register with Parish Online to enable us to use their mapping services. AGREED	
1702/14	<u>LAF Funding</u> The Co Clerk reported that it has been reported that approximately £22,000 is available for allocation between our LAF Parish/Town Councils (Gerrards Cross, Denham, Fulmer and Hedgerley and that at this time no application had been received. It was AGREED that the Pyghtle was in need of urgent attention and we should put that forward as our request.	
1702/15	<u>Any other business notified at 1702/02 above</u> 1. A412 Footpath Feasibility Study The Chairman informed the committee that we had just received a copy of the completed A412 Feasibility Study. A copy of the report would be circulated to all members. It was noted that the report stated that the cost of the feasibility study was less than forecasted but the end cost was not stated. It was AGREED that RH write to TfB and request that we be told the total end cost of the study and that the report be discussed at the next meeting. 2. Bus Stop in Moorfield Road by Savay Lane/Link Road It was reported that the work on this Bus Stop to be carried out by McCarthy & Stone had not yet been completed but we had been in touch with the contractor and been assured that it would be completed in the near future. 3. Community Pay Back Scheme The chairman reported that after months of frustration we have finally been allocated a team to work with us and they will start later in the month of February. The committee welcomed the news. 4. Community Asset Fund The latest information about the available funding arrangements	RH

	for the Community Asset Fund had just been received. Grants for schemes are available, from this month, ranging from £1,000 - £150,000 are available and can be applied for at any time. A total of £15 million is available. This will be discussed at the next meeting with consideration of applying for a relevant scheme.	
1702/15	<u>Date of Next Meeting</u> It was confirmed that the next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday 6 March 2017 at 8pm in the Council Office subject to the meeting called by Superintendent Hitch (Thames Valley Police) does not clash..	
1702/16	<u>Part 2 Confidential</u> At this point with no press or public present, the meeting proceeded to Part 2.	
	The meeting closed at 9.25 pm	

Roy Hill
Co Clerk