



## SEDBERGH PARISH COUNCIL AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2017 @ 7.30pm in the Council Office

### PRESENT:

Steve Longlands (SL), Simon Arnold (SA), Margaret Brooks (MB), John Capstick (JC)  
Ian McPherson (IM)

**UNABLE TO ATTEND:** Martyn Dawson (MD), Roger Sedgwick (RS)

REF	NOTE	ACTION
001/08/17	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that apologies had been received from Martyn Dawson (MD)	
002/08/17	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> it be noted that no member declared any interests on items on the agenda.	
003/08/17	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting of Sedbergh Parish Council Amenities Committee held on Wednesday 5th of July be confirmed as a true record (with the exception of the date of next meeting) and be signed by the Chairman.	
004/08/17	<b>MATTERS ARISING NOT ON AGENDA</b> Nil	
005/08/17	<b>BUDGET</b> An update will be provided at the next meeting	<b>SL</b>

	<p><b>PLAYING FIELD</b></p> <p>SA distributed a copy of the final plan for the enhanced playing field maintenance and future options. He explained the fertiliser stage had been completed, members noted that the pitch currently looked in good condition</p>	
006/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that this document was an accurate summary of the conversations that had occurred previously with all parties.</p>	
007/08/17	<p>It was noted that Peter Marshall (Bursar Sedbergh School) had kindly agreed to the school grounds staff spreading the sand at no charge. A note of appreciation would be sent acknowledging this.</p>	SA/SL
008/08/17	<p>A meeting would be convened with the SFC to agree payment details of their agreed proportion, to be done via a donation.</p>	SA
	<p>It was noted that the gate to the playing field had collapsed due to age and was beyond repair</p>	
009/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> A new gate would be sourced from a local contractor ASAP</p>	SA
	<p><b>PLAYGROUND</b></p> <p>The rocking horse has sadly sheared off at ground level due to age and metal fatigue. Whilst this could be repaired the major cost will be removing the existing concrete pad and reinstalling the steel support in new concrete. The rest of the horse is faded and worn making this a false economy. Area is however safe.</p>	
010/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> A new 'activity piece' will be purchased and installed. The Parish Clerk will be asked to source some catalogues and SA will try to then seek some input from mothers using the playground as to a preference for what is installed.</p>	Parish Clerk/ SA
	<p><b>JOSS LANE CAR PARK</b></p>	
011/08/17	<p>It was noted that the new payment machines were due on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August. SA and SL would endeavour to be around to facilitate installation on the day.</p>	SA/SL
012/08/17	<p>SA gave a brief feedback on the meetings he, Jim and the Parish Clerk had attended with 3 prospective Architects for</p>	

	<p>the car park refurbishment. Details will follow in full council however it was comprehensively undertaken.</p> <p><b>MAIN STREET TOILETS</b></p> <p>SA had checked and cleaned the filter. He observed that it would now function better but that the area of roof was not sufficient to catch enough water to fill the tanks given the frequency of flushing in the summer months. Grey water was being collected and used as proved by the meter.</p>	
013/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that this filter check should be a regular job for the new handyman and that a course filter grid be installed in the gutter.</p>	<b>Parish Clerk</b>
	<p>Survey drawings were discussed however SA pointed out the concept of an assisted toileting facility required a 4m by 3m footprint. It was not obvious how this could be achieved without substantial expenditure which in the absence of any capital (given the car park project) would be likely to be well in excess of any grant funding that could be sourced.</p>	
	<p>Discussion therefore centred on what could be done to achieve a quick improvement in the general standard of the facility within the budget of the amenities committee and the donation boxes.</p>	
014/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that 3 members would convene the next day to see firstly what could be done in the ladies facility for 'under a thousand'. The gents would be focused on in due course.</p>	<b>SL/SA MB</b>
015/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> A local contractor would be contacted to provide a guideline as to likely costs involved in renovating two obsolete cubicles and redeveloping the area into a vanity/baby change area.</p>	<b>SA</b>
016/08/17	<p><b>LOFTUS HILL CAR PARK</b></p> <p>New parking meter due on the 7th</p>	
	<p><b>BENCHES</b></p> <p>The bench identified on main street outside Capsticks. could be refurbished by WS at a cost of £250 for the replacement oak slat and a full sand and recoat.</p>	<b>SA</b>
017/08/17	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> This was on a par with previous refub costs and SA be asked to facilitate this with help from SL in transportation.</p>	<b>SA/SL</b>

018/08/17	<p><b>BOWLING</b></p> <p>The reported problem with the wall had been inspected by SA and there was no immediately obvious risk of collapse however there was evidence of a serious gradual subsidence into the field along the whole boundary. SA suspected this would be a major job to correct and that advice from Jim on getting a surveyor/engineers report would be sought. Photos for monitoring purposes would be taken.</p>	<b>SA/SL</b>
019/08/17	<p><b>STREET LIGHTS</b></p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	
020/08/17	<p><b>OTHER AMENITIES</b></p> <p>Suspicion of 'Ash Die Back' in some trees along the playing field boundary had been reported by a member of the public. IM would investigate and report back.</p> <p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>The date for the next scheduled meeting is confirmed as:</p> <p><b>Wednesday 6th of September 2017</b></p> <p><b>Meeting closed at 8.50pm</b></p> <p><b>Signature of Chairman .....</b></p> <p><b>Date .....</b></p>	<b>IM</b>