



SEDBERGH PARISH COUNCIL AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 6th July 2022 @ 7.15pm in the Parish Council Office

PRESENT:

Simon Arnold (SA), Margaret Brooks (MB), John Capstick (JC), Rachel Cowperthwaite (RC), Ed Welti (EW)

UNABLE TO ATTEND: Steve Longlands (SL)

REF	NOTE	ACTION
	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
001/07/22	Steve Longlands (SL)	
	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
002/07/22	RESOLVED it is noted that no member declared any interests on items on the agenda.	
	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	
003/07/22	Approved.	
	MATTERS ARISING NOT ON AGENDA	
004/07/22	The Chairman and the Committee thanked Sedbergh School, SA, and all involved with the jobs performed during Challenge Week. All were very impressed with the quality of the work performed.	
005/07/22	A proposal was raised that the Council should approach BT with a view to buying or leasing part of the site of the existing telephone exchange for extra town car parking. RESOLVED that, to initiate the project, SA and the Parish Clerk would draft a letter to BT to enquire into the long term use of the existing building and site.	SA
006/07/22	It was discussed as to who is responsible for the Lifebelt in the picnic area by the river. The consensus was that it is	

	<p>the landowner i.e. the Parish Council. RESOLVED that it be removed, and that the Parish Clerk answers any queries.</p>	SA
007/07/22	<p>BUDGET</p> <p>Projects under consideration for the year 2022/23 were discussed as follows,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To progress with the disabled toilet doors. • Hedging at Ghyllas Layby • Rolling Bench replacement 	
008/07/22	<p>It was also proposed that the Police Parking in Joss Lane car park was moved to beside the wall to the side of the Information Centre and that a proper sign should be purchased.</p> <p>MARKET</p>	
009/07/22	<p>It was again noted that traders are leaving by midday. RESOLVED that SA and the Parish Clerk should draft a letter reminding traders that the conditions stipulate they should remain until 1:30 and explaining that this is to allow working people to visit the market at lunch time.</p> <p>PLAYING FIELD</p>	SA
010/07/22	<p>Use of the Playing Field by the Football Club was again discussed. The repairs to the goal mouth and signage have not been made. The Club have also given permission to other groups to use the field without permission of the Parish Council. A proposal was raised that on the review of the contract a new booking procedure (to include the Football Club fixture list) is implemented. It was noted that Football Club members have confirmed they will be attending a future Parish Council meeting.</p>	
011/07/22	<p>Grass cuttings from when the field is mown have been left on the playground making it slippery and hazardous. RESOLVED that the contractor is to be reminded that they need to inform the council when works are performed and that all cuttings etc should be cleared up afterwards.</p> <p>PLAYGROUND</p>	
012/07/22	<p>The Shelter has been renovated as part of Challenge Week but it was noted that the plastic is damaged and has deteriorated and that the woodwork of the structure is approaching 'end of life'.</p>	
013/07/22	<p>The proposal for the possible relocation of the Playground and creation of extra parking on the site of the current playground was discussed. The current equipment is 3-5 years away from becoming obsolete. As an initial step it</p>	

	<p>was suggested that the Council approaches a Playground Equipment supplier to provide a conceptual design and approximate costing, with a view to securing funding.</p> <p>JOSS LANE CAR PARK</p>	
014/07/22	<p>Due to the weather the work on the redundant drain and other potholes could not be done during Challenge Week. RESOLVED. SA will complete the work.</p>	SA
015/07/22	<p>The Provisional Bid to the Levelling Up Fund for carpark resurfacing and Electric Charging Points has been submitted. The Bid is for 150K with 75K match funding.</p> <p>MAIN STREET TOILETS</p>	
016/07/22	<p>One of the Waste Bins has disappeared. The Parish Clerk has written to the contractor who empties them to see if they have any knowledge of it.</p> <p>LOFTUS HILL CAR PARK</p>	
017/07/22	<p>The work done during Challenge Week has had a very positive effect on the appearance of the car park</p> <p>BENCHES</p>	
018/07/22	<p>Bench register – it was proposed this should be added to the Parish Online map. It was discussed who owns the benches on Church Walk.</p> <p>BOWLING</p>	
019/07/22	<p>The new bench will be screwed down once the concrete has cured.</p>	
020/07/22	<p>STREET LIGHTS</p> <p>No update</p> <p>HANDY PERSON</p>	
021/07/22	<p>The Handyperson has been given the draft contract for cleaning the toilets on Main Street. Two points have been raised by the contractor i) rate and ii) sickness and holiday relief. Members discussed the general points raised and agreed to recommended a rate, in line with local market rates for cleaning, and noted that an additional clause should be added to address holiday/absence relief. It was noted that the Contractors Review was on the Full Council meeting Agenda for 14th July 2022.</p>	

<p>022/07/22</p>	<p>OTHER AMENITIES</p> <p>Complaints have been received about the condition of the cemetery, graves damaged in recent storms have not been repaired, damaged trees and tree work have not be cleared up and gravestones have been moved and not reset. RESOLVED that a site meeting with SLDC should be arranged to discuss the situation.</p> <p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Next meeting is Wednesday 3rd August 2022 at 7.15pm in the Council Offices.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8:40pm</p> <p>Signature of Chairman</p> <p>Date</p>	
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