HORNDEAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT JUBILEE HALL ON MONDAY 19th AUGUST 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs E Tickell (Chairman), Cllr J Lay, Cllr Mrs L Evans

IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Baverstock-Jones, Chief Officer; Cheree Garvey, Office Manager (Minute Taker); Matthew Madill, Grounds Manager

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: There were no members of the public present. One member of the press attended.

G 014/19/20 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D Alexander.

G 015/19/20 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

G 016/19/20 **TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN TO THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Cllr J Lay was nominated as Vice Chairman and duly elected. This was proposed by Cllr Mrs E Tickell and seconded by Cllr Mrs L Evans. All agreed.

G 017/19/20 **TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th JUNE 2018**

There were a number of corrections required to the minutes of 24th June. These corrections have been noted as follows:

- G 003/18/20 - …'due to Cllr Lay's absence.' has been removed
- G 005/19/20 - 'The meeting was duly opened to the public.' has been replaced by 'There were no members of the public present.'
- G 006/19/20 - 3 occasions of transposition of SDNP has been corrected.
- G 011/19/20 - …'within Horndean…' replaced with …'owned by HPC…'

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Grounds Committee Meeting held on 24th June 2019 be duly signed as a true record of the meeting.

G 018/19/20 **TO OPEN THE MEETING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present. One member of the press attended.

G 019/19/20 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER FUTURE PROJECTS IN RESPECT OF THE AVAILABLE s106 FUNDS SDNPA DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS BEING A TOTAL OF £9,589.14**

The Grounds Manager reported that no update has been received from SDNP with regard to potential projects. He further reported that following his enquiry, SDNP confirmed that no projects outside of their boundaries will be eligible for funding.

Cllr L Evans proposed diverting the efforts of the Countryside Team to projects outside of Catherington Down and St Giles and employing contractors to carry out the required work and thereby utilising the funding. A short discussion took place.

The Grounds Manager will provide an update at the next meeting on 14th October 2019

G 020/19/20 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE AND CONSIDER THE WAY FORWARD IN RESPECT OF THE PLAY AREA AT MERCHISTOUN HALL**

A report was circulated and a discussion took place.

Cllr Mrs E Tickell explained that the licence agreement is only for the area where the equipment resides.

The Grounds Manager explained that a minimum of £30,000 will be required to repair the play equipment as required by the ROSPA report. If the wet pour replacement is included this figure is just over £40,000. There is no funding available for this work to be undertaken.

The Grounds Manager will provide an estimate of cost at the next meeting on 14th October 2019. This will be to remove the existing play equipment and reinstate the area to grass.

G 021/19/20 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER PURCHASING EQUIPMENT TO DETECT UNDERGROUND CABLES**

A report by the Grounds Manager was circulated and a brief discussion took place.

It was **RESOLVED** that this equipment is to be purchased

This was proposed by Cllr J Lay and seconded by Cllr Mrs L Evans. All agreed.

G 022/19/20 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER THE SIGNAGE REQUIRED IN RESPECT OF DOG WALKING**

A report by the Grounds Manager was circulated and a brief discussion took place.

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase the proposed signage and to put them up around the Parish where required.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs E Tickell and seconded by Cllr Mrs L Evans. All agreed.

G 023/19/20 **TO CONSIDER APPROPRIATE USAGE OF THE HIGH STREET/VILLAGE CENTRE COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP FUND OF £1,666.66**

It was **RESOLVED** to liaise with the New Blendworth Centre and to utilise this funding to purchase additional equipment as required.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs L Evans and seconded by Cllr Mrs E Tickell. All agreed.

G 024/19/20 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER THE REDUCTION/FELLING OF A NUMBER OF TREES AT FIVE HEADS RECREATION GROUND**

A report by the Grounds Manager was circulated and a brief discussion took place. The intention of reducing the trees is to discourage anti-social behaviour.

It was **RESOLVED** to crown lift the trees at Five Head Recreation Ground as proposed.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs E Tickell and seconded by Cllr J Lay.

G 025/19/20 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE AND CONSIDER THE WAY FORWARD IN RESPECT OF FOOT PATH 26A**

A brief discussion took place.

Cllr Mrs E Tickell will provide a detailed report following investigation at the next meeting of 14th October 2019.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm

E J Tickell

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Chairman

14.10.19

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Dated