

Bassingbourn-cum-Kneesworth Parish Council

Amenities Committee

Minutes of Meeting held remotely on Wednesday 8th April 2020 at 19.30.

Present; Cllrs Catherall (chairman), Dixon, Douglass, Hodge and Oakley.

Also present were Cllr Hallett, Mrs V Tookey (Clerk) and Mrs B Isherwood (RFO).

Due to technical problems, Cllr Dixon had no microphone, and Cllr Catherall took the Chair.

1	Apologies for absence : None were received.	
2	Declarations of Interests relating to items on the agenda and dispensations: Cllr Hodge declared a non-pecuniary interest for item 4.1.	
3	Minutes of meeting held on 11th March having been previously circulated were agreed a true record on proposition of Cllr Douglass, seconded Cllr Oakley. The Minutes would be signed when Council next meet in person.	VT
4	General Maintenance Issues:- <u>4.1. Pavilion</u> The fire risk assessment was now in and had been circulated to full Council. Clerk and RFO are preparing a list of requirements. Remedial safety works such as signage can still be accessed at the moment, and on the proposition of Cllr Catherall, seconded Cllr Hodge it was agreed that the necessary purchases be made. Emergency lighting will have to be installed and prices will be obtained. At the moment due to the CV19 pandemic the building is not in use. Discussion took place regarding the heras fencing which is still not erected as legislation requires, although the football club had promised to re position it. Clerk will ask the Grounds contractors if they can reposition the fencing. Committee also noted that contract vehicles were accessing the green, and it was believed were connected to a property in The Tanyard. It is stressed that such vehicles and residents do not have a right of way. Clerk was to ensure the gates were locked. <u>4.2 Cemetery</u> <i>4.2.1 Land required for interments:</i> Three areas of land had been suggested for additional interment space, and Clerk clarified the owners in question. <i>4.2.2 Cemetery Drive:</i> Repairs and resurfacing had been in discussion for some time and Clerk had quotations for repairs, upgrading of areas and a bitumen coat with gravel rolled in. Following the agreement at the last Amenities Committee meeting for the driveway to be tarmacked, she had received a verbal quotation for tarmacking of in the region of £15 - £20,000. Cllr Catherall made suggestions regarding tac coating of edges and bitumen surfacing.	VT/ BI VT VT VT

	Clerk to obtain variety of quotations for consideration. It was generally agreed that the work should be undertaken as soon as possible.	
5	<p>Play areas:-</p> <p><u>5.1 Items of repairs to note:</u></p> <p>There had been vandalism to the multi swing and the toddler swings on Willmott Recreation ground. Repairs awaited to the bubble spinner also. Committee was dismayed to learn that immediately the installation of equipment on Elbourn Way had been completed vandalism occurred. All play areas are closed at the moment due to the CV 19 pandemic. New benches are to be purchased and CH is continuing with the repairs to existing seats.</p>	BI
6	<p>Elbourn Play Area</p> <p><u>6.1 Footpath</u></p> <p>Clerk has again e mailed Cala Homes, and Cllr Cathcart has confirmed that SCDC has also instructed them to provide the footpath. Clerk informed Committee that the last property on the development was being sold, and was that adjoining where the agreed footpath should go.</p> <p><u>6.2 Proludic Equipment</u></p> <p>The installation has been completed, the heras fencing would be removed as soon as company was allowed back to work by the Government, and the Grounds contractor has been watering the new turfed area.</p>	

Date of Next Meetings: – 2020 –
September; 14th October; 11th November; 9th December.

13th May; 10th June; 8th July; 12th August; 9th