

Minutes of the Meeting of the Property Committee Wednesday 15 June 2022 at 7.30pm.

Present

Cllrs Craig Gale (Vice Chairman in the chair), Barry Barnes, Paul Berry, Philip Day, Dave Homer and Roy Margetts.

In Attendance

G Burt, Clerk to the Council 1 member of the public

14/22 Chairman's Announcements.

The Chairman

- a. Advised that due to a technical hitch, the meeting would not be streamed to the internet this evening.
- b. Asked Members to raise their hands if they wished to speak.

15/22 Apologies.

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Sandy Duck and Steve Thomas - prior engagements. On the proposal of Cllr Craig Gale, seconded by Cllr Barry Barnes, **RESOLVED** that the apologies and reasons given be accepted.

16/22 Declarations of Interest and Notification of Changes to Members' Interests. None.

17/22 Minutes.

On the proposal of Cllr Barry Barnes, seconded by Cllr Paul Berry, **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2022, previously circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record by the Vice Chairman.

18/22 <u>Matters Arising</u>.

None.

19/22 To note that the scheduled meeting of 20 April 2022 was cancelled due to a lack of business.

NOTED.

20/22 Public Session. None.

21/22 <u>To receive an update on replacement of bollards at Adversane Green and agree further works</u>.

The first phase of replacing bollards had now been completed and many favourable comments received. Local residents had asked when the next phase would be completed.

[Phase 1 had cost £3,741.37 and been met by an environmental enhancement budget, leaving a balance of £947.73.]

On the proposal of Cllr Roy Margetts, seconded by Cllr Paul Berry, **RECOMMEND** to the F&GP Committee that \pounds 7,000 be allocated from the CIL fund to enable a further phase to be undertaken.

22/22 To consider replacement of benches at Station Road Community Gardens.

Three teak benches in Station Road Community Gardens had reached the end of their lives, not helped by vandalism.

On the proposal of Cllr Paul Berry, seconded by Cllr Philip Day, **RECOMMEND** to the F&GP Committee that £3,000 be allocated from the CIL fund for replacement benches, made with robust recycled plastic.

23/22 To receive property updates for information only.

NOTED. The Committee's usual thanks to officers for their endeavours was noted.

24/22 Any other matters for information only.

None.

25/22 Date of Next Meeting: 14 September 2022.

26/22 Exclusion of Press & Public (contractual)

On the proposal of Cllr Barry Barnes, seconded by Cllr Roy Margetts, **RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (contractual), the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

27/22 <u>To review position on Jubilee Fields Skate Park replacement and agree way</u> forward.

Cllrs had agreed at the previous meeting, given the lack of progress by the preferred contractor, to ask if the Council could pay the said contractor for his design. Alas, despite numerous e-mails, no reply had been received. Mindful that the old skate facility had been removed over a year ago and skaters had been very patient, the Committee felt that there was no alternative but to restart the process.

On the proposal of Cllr Craig Gale, seconded by Cllr Dave Homer, **RESOLVED** that the Clerk consult Horsham District Council on how they progressed their new facility and report back accordingly. The likely benefit of this new approach would be that we should be able to draw down any S106 funds available.

The meeting finished at 7.50pm