

SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: RECREATION & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

19 March 2013

PRESENT: Chairman: E C Murray

Snr Assistant Clerk: Mrs G A Pack

Councillors

Dr D R Bard

Miss S E Clarke

K Cuffley

Ms B Laxton

M J R Mallows

W N Reid

R M Richmond

Head Groundsman : Mr A R Poole

Sports Representative : Mr K Pride – Sawston Cricket Club

: Mr P Sharp – Sawston Bowls Club

+ Isaac Jager : Charlie Martin : Brandon Upton : Leo Batters

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor I G Read.

2 PRESENTATION BY ISAAC JAGER RE SKATE PARK

Isaac Jager and friends gave a presentation regarding the possibility of a skate park in Sawston as the nearest one was Ickleton. They highlighted the fact that it could be used for other activities, i.e BMX, in line, long board, scooters etc. and suggested several locations, Orchard Park, The Spike, Deal Grove and Dales Manor.

It was **AGREED** that the best option would be for them to put this forward to Sawston Village College as it would be a better location and also there could be the possibility of grants to help towards the cost.

The Chairman thanked them for attending the meeting and they left at 7.50pm. Clerk to email Isaac to thank him and his friends for attending the meeting and for all their hard work in researching this project.

3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None were declared.

4 MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 February 2013 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to **ACCEPT** these minutes.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

5 MATTERS ARISING

None

6 VILLAGE SKATE PARK

Already discussed

7 SPORTS CLUB MATTERS

As there had been no meeting there were no matters to discuss.

8 GROUNDSMAN ISSUES

Mr A R Poole asked for the following:

10 x bags of grass seed for use at Cemetery, pitches, goal mouths, Deal Grove and Mill Lane:

Sherriff	£79.82 including delivery
Boston	£96.00 including delivery
F Smart	£89.00 including delivery

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke that the quotation from Sherriff was **ACCEPTED** in the sum of £79.82.- including delivery

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

20 x tonne top soil

British Sugar (Sports 10)	£17.75 per tonne + VAT
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It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor M J R Mallows that the quotation from British Sugar was **ACCEPTED** in the sum of £17.75 + VAT per tonne. Total £355.00 + VAT.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

2 x small bags of fertiliser:

Sherriff	£26.48 per bag
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It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor M J R Mallows that Sawston Cricket Club was asked to pay for one bag. After discussions it was felt that this would be unfair to ask the Cricket Club when football clubs were not asked to contribute.

It was then **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard that the Parish Council pays for both bags. It was also **AGREED** that it would be made an Agenda item for next R & O S Committee to look at incorporating such matters within the sports clubs fees.

Councillor M J R Mallows withdrew his proposal.

Second proposal was then voted on:

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard that the quotation from Sherriff was **ACCEPTED** in the sum of £79.82.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

Cordless Drill

Hitachi	£299.00 + VAT
De Walt	£345.00 + VAT
Panasonic	£395.00 + VAT

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor K Cuffley and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton to **ACCEPT** the quotation for the De Walt cordless drill at £345.00 + VAT

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

9 PAVILIONS & GROUNDS

Spicers

Mr A R Poole reported that that on Saturday 9 March 2013 Sawston Girls F.C. played an away game at Spicers due to the fact that the away pitch was not playable.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton that Sawston Girls F.C. were charged for playing an extra game, fined and asked to attend the next Sports Council Meeting on 29 April 2013 to explain why this happened and also why their fixtures were sent to Parish Council and Mr A R Poole instead of the Sports Council.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

It was also reported that when Sawston Cricket Club arrived at Spicers Pavilion on Friday evening for a Quiz Night Sawston United Youth mini goals had been erected and left in the Meeting Room.

Mr A R Poole explained the situation, which was a one off, and had confirmation from the Club that this would not happen again.

Bowls Club

It was reported by Mr P Sharp of Sawston Bowls Club that they had not received a water bill for 2 years. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would look into this matter.

Mr A R Poole also reported that both he and Mr R Hatfield had painted the Pavilion during the winter months to include changing rooms, hall, bar and entrance and was disgusted with the state of it now.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor K Cuffley and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard that the Clerks writes to all Clubs using the Pavilion advising that next year's fees could be increased to reflect the costs of redecorating. Also, the Parish Council had contacted them before asking them to respect the up keep of the building, and if this situation did not improve they would incur all decorating and cleaning costs.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

Mill Lane

It was reported that the floodlights were left on all night last Tuesday, 12 March 2013 by Sawston Rovers F.C.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke that Sawston Rovers F.C. was fined and asked to attend the next Sports Council Meeting on 29 April 2013 to explain their actions, and also to explain the state the Pavilions was left in after their match on Saturday 9 March 2013.

VOTE: 7 FOR : 1 AGAINST

Lynton Way

Due to the exceptionally wet weather experienced of late Mr A R Poole informed the Committee that he needed to cancel training on Lynton Way Recreation Ground for the rest of the season to allow the grass to recover.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond that all training was cancelled until 9 April 2013 and reviewed again at Full Parish for the rest of the season.

Mr A R Poole to advise all Clubs using this recreation ground accordingly.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

10 REPLACEMENT TREES AT DEAL GROVE

Councillors Miss S E Clarke and M J R Mallows together with Mrs J F Keeler, Clerk and Mr A R Poole, Head Groundsman visited the site and recommended there was no need to replace any of the trees leaving room for seating or extra play equipment.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond that the views of the sub-committee were upheld.

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

11 SECURITY LIGHT AT LYNTON WAY PAVILION

Three quotations had been received for sensor or switch light. It was **AGREED** that a switch light would be more appropriate:

- Sorrell Electrical £69.20. + VAT
- DSM £65.00 + VAT
- Thompson Electrical £140.00 + VAT

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond that the quotation from Sorrell Electrical was **ACCEPTED** in the sum of £69.20 + VAT

VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

12 ENTRANCE TO HUCKERIDGE HILL FIELD

As all quotations had not been received it was **AGREED** to defer this matter until the next R & OS Committee Meeting.

13 CORRESPONDENCE

None

**14 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING :
CONCERNING R & OS ONLY**

Shingay Lane Sign

It was reported that the sign was damaged and down. Mr A R Poole to remove.

Mill Lane Triangle

It was reported that this green area needed cutting. Mr A R Poole to instruct Mr R Hatfield to cut.

Potholes

Councillor W N Reid advised potholes on slip road into Sawston where it meets Cambridge Road.

Meeting closed 8.50pm