

Wickham Parish Council

Recreation Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Monday 10th October 2011 at 8.30pm.

Present: Sue Roger-Jones (Chairman), Angela Clear (Vice-Chairman), Di Frost, Justin Gamblin, Jenny Hollis, Tony Ryder, Jon Taylor.

Two members of the public, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

- 1 **To receive apologies for absence** Marie du Boulay.
- 2 **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
- 3 **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
- 4 **Agenda**

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4.1 To consider proposal for changes to the management of the skatepark (Cllr Bennett) **Cllr Bennett presented proposals for a membership scheme for the skatepark to encourage ownership of the facility and to try and reduce vandalism. After detailed discussion it was agreed not to progress the scheme. Cllr Bennett was thanked for preparing the proposals.**

It was agreed to obtain a quote for installing a duct for a cable run from the community centre to the skatepark together with a cctv camera.

4.2 To receive update on project to install two new tennis courts on the recreation ground (Clerk) **Tenders for the court construction have been returned, those for the floodlights are still awaited. The Parish Council / Tennis Club Partnership Agreement has been signed which has allowed the LTA grant application to be finalised. A decision should be made shortly.**

4.3 To receive update on partnership proposal between the Parish Council, Community Association and Wickham Church of England Primary School to provide an all weather sports pitch for use by the school and community. (Clerk) **An outcome to the planning application is expected shortly. Grant applications have been submitted to the Veolia Trust and Sport England Inspired Facilities. A further application will be submitted for LEADER funding once planning approval and tenders have been received.**

4.4 To receive update on Scout HQ proposals (Cllr Clear) **The Parish Council asked the Scouts whether they still wished to build the HQ on the recreation ground on 23rd June, a response is awaited.**

4.5 To receive update on agreed projects: wheeled goal posts, overhead barrier to recreation ground, repairs to The Circle play area (Chairman/Clerk) **The new goal post has been installed. Wear and tear repairs to The Circle play area are required and it was agreed to accept the quotation from OCS for £1,610 + VAT funded through precept budget for repairs.**

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4.6 To review maintenance requirements for adopted areas (Clerk) **It was agreed to accept the quotation from Gravity for £300 + VAT for repairs to the skatepark due to fire damage. Funded from the precept budget for maintenance at Knowle.**

- 5 To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit** None.
- 6 Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available** Continue to monitor.
- 7 Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee** None.

It was agreed to review Groundsman Paul Collin's job description with a view to extending his contract for five years to allow him to invest in new machinery. Action Chairman and Clerk.

Meeting closed 9.15pm