

Minutes

Rackheath Parish Parks and Leisure Committee Meeting

Tuesday 13th April 2021 at 7.00pm

Via Zoom video conferencing

Anne Tandy

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Present: Tracy Buckley (Chair), Paula Lowe, Stephen Oakley, Sally Hoare, Broadland District Council, Community Infrastructure Officer

Also in Attendance: Anne Tandy, Parish Clerk and RFO

1. There were no apologies for absence.
2. Stephen Oakley declared an interest in item 5e on the agenda.
3. There were no members of the public at attendance.
4. The Minutes of the Parks and Leisure Committee held on Tuesday 9th March 2021 were agreed as an accurate representation. **All agreed.** To be signed at a later date when appropriate to do so.
5. **The Pavilion and Stracey Sports Park**
 - a. The Committee noted the Pavilion and Stracey Sports Park Annual Management Report
 - b. The pricing structure was discussed and amended to make it clearer for potential hirers to navigate. No prices were changed other than to make clear that the figures are exclusive of VAT. **All agreed** with the proposed changes.

Charges for use of the grassed area at the rear of the function room was set at £5.00 per hour for dog recall training. It was requested that a coded padlock is installed on the gate. This also preserves the grassed area for hall hirers and prevent cross over of use. **All Agreed.**

Rackheath Village Hall requested use of the overflow car park for an outdoor event in August. Committee agreed but asked that the VH car park to be made available for parking during the Council's fireworks event in November 2021.
 - c. Discussion of the fees for Rackheath Playing Field Lawn Bowls Club to assist in their return to play. The annual green fee remains the same with the option of sub-letting to other teams. In line with covid restrictions, only toilet facilities to be made available at a cost of £5 per session/game. This will increase to £10 if changing rooms are permitted for use later in the Governments Covid Road map. **All agreed.**
 - d. It was proposed by the Committee to delegate power to the Clerk to make amendments to the fees on an individual case basis. **All agreed.**

- e. Discussion regarding the provision of storage for Rainbows to accommodate a regular booking. Tracy Buckley to meet with the Rainbow leader at the Pavilion to look at siting an external storage facility for their use and report back to the Committee.
- f. The Committee discussed progress with allocating s.106 funding in relation to the following:
 - i. MPSA refurbishment to proceed. Converting the current area to 3G is favoured with a tennis court installed separately. Further research and quotes to be obtained by the Clerk.
 - ii. Sports equipment would be looked at once the spending on the MPSA has been completed and any underspend allocated, along with future allocation. **All agreed.**
 - iii. Play equipment is needed at Stracey Playing Field and this will be the focus for this allocation. Future funds will be channelled into refurbishing Jubilee Park. **All agreed.**
 - iv. Allocation of land for allotments has proved unsuccessful. The Council have been offered a piece of land on the west side of the NDR off Newman Road as part of a development on Green Lane West, which would prove to be suitable for use as allotments. It was agreed that when this becomes available, it should be considered for this use. **All Agreed.**

6. Jubilee Park

- a. A request to be made in the community for volunteers to help clean up the existing play equipment.

7. Newman Road Woods

- a. Progress with the land transfer continues. Asbestos on site has been removed and disposed off and the explosives certificate is awaited. A valuer's report is being prepared which will inform the next stage of the process. It was noted that the Community Trust had allocated money to install a bench in Newman Road woods. The Clerk to contact the Auditor to locate the funds for this.

Meeting concluded at: 20.50.