

## PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWLANDS

### MINUTES OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 27 MAY 2021 AT NEWLANDS COMMUNITY HALL, NEWLANDS AVENUE, WATERLOOVILLE, HAMPSHIRE, PO7 3BX COMMENCING AT 7.30 pm

Members: Cllr M Read (Chairman) (P) Cllr A Kirby (P)  
Cllr L Price (P) Cllr J Parry (P)

Also present Cllr D Crichton – Chairman of the Council and Karen Seear, Clerk to the Council.

010/22A Apologies: All Councillors were present.

011/22A Declarations of Interest: Cllr M Read declared an interest as he was a Ward Member for Winchester City Council.

012/22A Minutes: The minutes from the Amenities Committee Meeting's held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021 were received. **It was unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting be accepted as an accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.**

013/22A Public Session: There was no requirement for a public session.

014/22A Adoption of Open Space: The Chairman had spoken with a representative from Winchester City Council. She pointed out that the required site meeting could be bought forward as it will take place outside. The handover process may require more than one meeting. The Chairman asked for a list of outstanding landscaping work. Cllr D Crichton will contact Kevin Mitchell with regards to this matter. The Chairman asked what days and times were suitable for Councillors to attend the meeting, these were noted. He will report back via the Clerk with some suggested meeting dates and the meeting will be arranged. **NOTED.**

015/22A Youth Shelter: The Clerk gave an update. She had gained quotes for installation from two other contractors and had had a site visit with one of these contractors. The third quote is awaited. It would be preferable to install the shelter in the better weather. Queries were also raised with regards to timescales and delivery of the shelter. The base of which could be installed in advance, ready for the company to deliver and install the shelter onto the prepared base. Vehicular access will be required for contractors and the key to the locks will need to be made available. The Chairman asked whether the third quote could be circulated once received and a decision made thereafter. The Clerk was asked to contact the manufacturer to ascertain delivery times. **NOTED.**

016/22A CCTV: The Clerk provided an update. After contacting Wellesley Court, she had spoken to a representative of MHA, She informed her that she would contact the estates team regarding this matter. The Clerk had yet to gain a response and will chase this up. **NOTED.**

017/22A Ranger Equipment: A list of suggested equipment had been provided by the Council's health and safety representative, Cllr A Berry. It had also been decided that hi-vis vests with the Council logo were required for site visits etc. These will be stored at the community building and available for users when required. The Clerk will purchase the vests ready for the planned walkaround with WCC. The exact equipment required by the warden will be determined once the successful candidate is appointed. Storage of this equipment and the tools required need consideration, this will be determined at a later date. **NOTED.**

Other reports: It was asked whether the Council's insurance policy covers works carried out by the Council. The policy will be checked. **NOTED.**

Cllr J Parry mentioned he was concerned about damage to the youth shelter due to previous cases of vandalism in the area. He informed the Council that the implementation of CCTV at the town park had been successful at the Town Park.

The Chairman of the Council informed the Committee that the current bins will be replaced at Town Park. It has been determined that the Council will be placing more bins in the development after adoption. When this happens contracts as to who will be emptying the bins will require consideration. **NOTED.**

Cllr A Kirby had previously attended a meeting with WACA. Re-opening of the community hall was discussed. The hall would remain closed and reviewed after 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021. **NOTED.**

The Chairman suggested that benches be sited along the walk through the development. Council had previously been approached by a resident asking to place a bench in memory of his mother. The Clerk will contact the resident with regards to this matter. The type of benches that the Council wish to use was discussed. It was suggested that they should be of a standard type throughout the development. The Chairman will bring back suggestions to the Committee. **NOTED.**

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

The next meeting of the Amenities Committee is scheduled for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 starting at 7.30pm