

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Playing Field Management Partnership held on 8th February 2021

This meeting was held virtually in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

Present

Councillors – Wilkinson (Chair) Gathercole & Thorpe. Members – Mr Gowler.

6 members of the public

Clerk – S Thorpe

1. **Apologies**
Apologies had been received from Cllr Norman and Miss Wabe.
2. **Declarations of Interest on agenda items**
None
3. **Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2021**
Having been circulated before the meeting, the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and would be signed by the Chair at the next face-to-face meeting.
4. **Matters arising**
None.
5. **Update on replacement of the Skate Ramp and refurbishment of MUGA**
 - a. **Acknowledgements of order** – three acknowledgements of order had been received which required some additional information and then signing and returning. It was agreed that there were no existing services in the area which was to be excavated for the new skate ramp; surplus soil could be deposited at the side of the site, where there was currently a bank of soil; and the Hall committee should be asked if the contractors could use the Hall amenity facilities whilst the work was being completed.
To ask the PC to authorise the above answers/enquiries and then for the Clerk to sign and return the order forms.
Prop: Cllr Gathercole 2nd: Cllr Wilkinson Agreed.
 - b. **Planning permission for floodlighting** – The BC Planning Department had asked if the lighting would be used daily, including weekends? What time it would be on until and how would it be controlled/monitored. It was agreed that the Clerk would make enquiries from other PCs regarding an appropriate time for floodlighting to be used and then consult members before responding to the questions raised by the BC Planning Department.
 - c. The remainder of the old skate ramp would be removed when Cllr Gathercole advised that the ground was suitable to get the vehicles onto the area.
6. **Moving of the bench next to the MUGA**
The bench needed to be moved before the MUGA refurbish as it was in the same location as the new goal post. Cllr Gathercole advised that he was willing to do this but would need to make a small charge for his time.
To ask the PC to approve the appointment of Cllr Gathercole to move the bench.
Prop: Cllr Wilkinson 2nd: Cllr Thorpe Agreed.
7. **Quotations for repairs to the play equipment**
The Clerk had provided three quotations to members before the meeting. The quotations were discussed and it was acknowledged that they were very similar in cost but the Fenland Leisure Products (FLP) quotation did provide additional repairs and the use of a more substantive material.
To ask the PC to approve the acceptance of the FLP quotation.
Prop: Cllr Gathercole 2nd: Cllr Wilkinson Agreed.
8. **Update on the drainage issue at the front of the playing field**
The contractor who had jetted the system would be returning to carry out a second jetting when weather conditions allowed. The water level in the ditch at the front of the playing field was okay at the moment. It was confirmed that the Clerk should ask King's Lynn IDB to contact all landowners with riparian responsibilities for the ditch from Smeeth Road to Hope Lane.
9. **Issues connected to the new Marshland Hall**
None.
10. **General maintenance issues at the Playing Field**
Cllr Gathercole thanked Mr Gowler for moving the goal posts and nets as requested.
11. **Maintenance of the football pitches**
No issues at the moment.
12. **Football**

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No matches were currently taking place.

13. Report from user groups

None.

14. Members concerns or items for next agenda

Cllr Gathercole advised that the memorial seat in the bowls green was to be collected by the family who had purchased the seat so that they could revarnish it. Items to remain on the agenda as already agreed.

15. Date of next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership

The next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership would be on 8th March 2021 from 7.00pm. This meeting would be held virtually.

Meeting closed at 7.22pm