

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Playing Field Management Partnership held on 12th July 2021

Present

Councillors – Wilkinson (Chair), Gathercole, Norman, Thorpe. Members – Miss Wabe.

3 members of the public

Clerk – S Thorpe

1. **Apologies**
No apologies had been received.
2. **Declarations of Interest on agenda items**
None
3. **Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2021**
Having been circulated before the meeting, the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.
4. **Matters arising**
None.
5. **Update on replacement of the Skate Ramp and refurbishment of MUGA**
The Skate Ramp was now in place. Cllr Norman raised concerns about the surface being a little uneven and that water collected on the base after rain. The contractor had advised that the variation was in line with recommended levels and that the design did mean that a small amount of rain would collect but this would soon disappear in dry weather. Another meeting to be arranged between the contractor and Cllrs Norman, Gathercole and Wilkinson to consider if any further action could be taken. To discuss the possibility of an official opening for the project at the next meeting.
6. **Update on the drainage issue at the front of the playing field**
No further update at this stage. Item to be carried forward.
7. **Update on quotations for repairs to the car park entrance**
Despite regular chasing the other two quotations had not yet been received. Item to be carried forward. It was felt that some temporary repairs would be advisable in the interim until a decision could be made on a permanent repair.
To ask the PC to approve the cost of temporary repairs by Cllr Gathercole and Norman, which would cost from £70 - £100.
Prop: Cllr Wilkinson 2nd: Cllr Thorpe Agreed.
8. **Contractor for litter picking and bin emptying**
The position had been advertised and applications received were considered. The applicant that seemed the most suitable would carry out the work for £60.06 a month.
To ask the PC to approve appointment of the agreed contractor.
Prop: Cllr Norman 2nd: Cllr Gathercole Agreed.
9. **Issues connected to the new Marshland Hall**
 - a. Request for use of the playing field for children's keep active initiative events and multi sports day – this request was approved as long as Public Liability Insurance documents passed to the PC before the event.
10. **General maintenance issues at the Playing Field**
The contractor who was installing the flood lighting had not reinstated the grass to a satisfactory level at this stage. Ground maintenance contractor to be chased up about weedkilling of some areas and strimming of bank.
11. **Maintenance of the football pitches**
It was noted that the goal mouths had been reseeded and fenced off.
12. **Football**
None.
13. **Report from user groups**
Cllr Norman advised that he wanted to ask the PC if £200 of the unused budget for maintenance of the bowls green could be used to install slabs across the bottom end of the bowls green. It was agreed to ask the PC to approve this request.
14. **Members concerns or items for next agenda**
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 13th September 2021 from 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 7.32pm

Chairman..... Date.....