

SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: RECREATION & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

18 March 2014

PRESENT: Chairman:

Miss S E Clarke

Clerk: Mrs J F Keeler

Councillors

Dr D R Bard

K Cuffley

Ms B Laxton

M J R Mallows

W N Reid

R M Richmond

Head Groundsman : Mr A R Poole

Sawston Cricket Club : Mr K Pride

Sawston Bowls Club : Mr P Sharp

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors I G Read (holiday) and E C Murray (bereavement)

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None

3 MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2014 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid to **ACCEPT** these minutes.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

4 MATTERS ARISING

None

5 SPORTS CLUB MATTERS

None

6 GROUNDSMAN ISSUES

Mr A R Poole explained he needed to order the seed and soil for April 2014. This is used on Spicers Sports Ground as well as the other Recreation Grounds and the Cemetery.

Soil – 10 x 20kg bags required:

Sheriff - £ 798.20 inc vat and delivery

Grass Seed Store - £1,089.00 inc vat and delivery

Boston Seed - £1,120.00 inc vat and delivery

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor K Cuffley to **ACCEPT** Sherriff quotation in the sum of £798.20 including VAT and delivery.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

20 ton top soil required:

Bury Soil - £ 375.00 inc vat and delivery
Gardenscape - £ 987.00 inc vat and delivery
Madingley Mulch - £1,480.00 inc vat and delivery

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid to **ACCEPT** Bury Soil quotation in the sum of £375.00 including VAT and delivery.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

Mr A R Poole thanked those Councillors who turned up for the demo of a Verti Drain machine which would improve the recreation/sports grounds by drainage as over the years the soil had become compacted. It will take time to see if it has made a difference to the ground. Clerk to write a letter to thank them for their time/demonstration.

7 PAVILIONS & GROUNDS

Spicers

Again it was discussed about the state the Pavilion was being left in and pictures were shown to the Council. Also the main door to the Pavilion and the garage door had been left open overnight. As these were reported straight away the culprits were easily identifiable.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard to fine Sawston United 1st team £25.00 for leaving the main door open and £25.00 for leaving the garage door open. If anything had been stolen during this time then the Club would have been liable as the Parish Council insurance would not cover this. Clerk to also ask them to send a representative to the next Recreation & Open Spaces Committee Meeting to explain why this happened.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

It was also **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to amend the Sports Club Agreements to read 'if premises are left unsecure then the appropriate Club will be liable'.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

Condition of 'Away' changing room, after Saturday 1st March.

This was discussed and at was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid that it was the Home Team's responsibility to ensure the Pavilions were left in a reasonable state and Sawston United 1st team are fined £25.00.

VOTE: 6 FOR : 1 AGAINST

Mill Lane

Nothing to report

Lynton Way

Nothing to report

8 REVIEW OF SPORTS CLUB RULES AND CHARGES

Sports Club charges

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor Ms B Laxton that there would be no increase to fees as the Parish Council wanted to encourage sport within the village.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

9 DOG BINS

A resident has requested a dog bin at the Millennium Copse and it has been suggested a bin is installed at Deal Grove Park, which has no bin at present. The cost of a dog bin is £126.00 each plus delivery.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to order 3 bins, 1 as a spare, and install the others at Deal Grove and Millennium Copse, providing SCDC will empty them.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

It was also **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to create a map of Sawston which highlighted all the dog bins including the new ones which could be handed out to residents on collecting dog bags from the Office.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

10 LYNTON WAY TREES

The Clerk had received 3 quotes for tree work at Lynton Way. As the three companies all gave different opinions it was **PROPOSED** by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid that the Clerk contacts the new Trees Officer at SCDC to request an inspection of the 6 trees and advise the way forward.

VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)

11 CORRESPONDENCE

None

**12 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
CONCERNING R & OS ONLY**

None

Meeting closed 8.10pm