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TASK & FINISH GROUP MEETING

Meeting held virtually on 24th February 2021

Councillor Kevin Cuffley
Councillor Jayne Merrick
Councillor David Bard
Councillor Ian Reeves
Councillor Brian Milnes – arrived 7.39pm
Councillor Neil Reid – arrived 7.47pm
Councillor Anand Pillai
Councillor Sue Whitney
Councillor Kieran Cooper

Clerk: Jo Keeler
Head grounds keeper – Alan Poole
Alan Lamb – Alan Lamb Associates

1: Welcome

Councillor Kevin Cuffley welcomed everyone.

2: Apologies for absence

Councillor Colin Groves (Work commitments)
Councillor Rajni Padia (Personal)

3: To discuss Lynton Way

Councillor Kevin Cuffley explained that the main hall at Lynton Way pavilion is in a terrible state and the roof leaks. He asked Mr Alan Lamb what our options are with this building.

Alan Lamb explained that the changing rooms are in an ok state and he would suggest closing off the main hall and making the electrics safe but not to spend any money on it as the building is not fit for purpose.

It was unanimously agreed to close off the main hall so it is not used.

Councillor Brian Milnes arrived 7.39pm

4: To discuss tender for Mill Lane

Alan Lamb explained that planning permission has now been granted for the Mill Lane extension and we need to start the work within the next three years and to the drawings we submitted.

We now need to get tenders so we can get a price and then look into what grants are available. Alan Lamb will start looking into building regs and contacting contractors for quotes. We are looking at around 10 weeks for building regs and tenders.

Alan Lamb confirmed we do not need to use the government contract finder unless the project is over £4.1m.

Councillor Neil Reid arrived 7.47pm

It was **proposed** by Councillor Kevin Cuffley and **seconded** by Councillor Jayne Merrick to **RECOMMEND TO FULL** Alan Lamb goes ahead with the building regs for Mill Lane.

VOTE: 10 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

5: To discuss Spicers extension – contribution to costs

Councillor Kevin Cuffley asked we should be asking the cricket club for a contribution towards to the extension at Spicers pavilion. The extension is to provide more storage and a separate scorers facility which is a requirement for them to have.

Councillor Brian Milnes explained we need to consider how much we spend on football and cricket and it it's disproportionate to other groups within the village.

Councillor David Bard explained that the Sawston & Babraham Cricket Club has previously offered £1k towards the extension.

Alan Poole asked if we should be asking the football clubs too that use Spicers as they will be using the storage.

It was **proposed** by Councillor Kevin Cuffley and **seconded** by Councillor Jayne Merrick that Alan Lamb goes ahead once we have received planning permission to get tenders for this project as there is no external funding for this project.

VOTE: 10 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

6: Update from Alan Lamb on projects

Alan Lamb explained he has no update on the Cambridge City project for this meeting.

Lynton Way – he has produced 4 options of ideas for the pavilion which were shown at the meeting and discussed. The parish council need to discuss and confirm what we require for this pavilion.

Councillor Kevin Cuffley would like an idea of what the residents would like and also to speak to the sports centre at the college regarding their facilities so we do not duplicate them.

Alan Lamb explained that the option 1 would be the minimum we could do to be able to use the pavilion.

Councillor David Bard explained we need a clear vision of what we intend to do with this building especially with regards to the new houses on Babraham Road. Before the pavilion deteriorated it was available for public hire as a community facility so we need to have conversations with SCDC regarding S106 contributions for this project.

Councillor Kevin Cuffley wanted to check if we lease the area of car park between Lynton Way and the recreation ground. Councillor David Bard will check this.

It was agreed that we should arrange another meeting for late May/early June and invite the sports centre and also the S106 officer from SCDC.

The clerk will contact the S106 officer for timescales with regards to the contribution before arranging the meeting.

Councillor Kevin Cuffley thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting closed 8.45pm