

Minutes of the Leisure, Activities & Facilities Committee Meeting held on 21 November 2022 at 7.30 pm at the Parish Office

Present: Cllrs J Armstrong, S Berlyn, C Chaney, A Chapman, G Chapman, A Keeler and N Orange

In attendance: M Harper (Clerk) and one member of the public

22/23.63 Apologies for absence

Cllr M Hessing

22/23.64 Declarations of Interest

Members are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they know they may have in items of business on the meeting's agenda. They are reminded that they will need to repeat their declaration at the appropriate point in the meeting and leave the room if the interest is a prejudicial one. Unforeseen interests must be declared similarly at the appropriate time. Members have dispensation to discuss and vote in respect of matters relating to the Precept and the DCA.

There were no declarations of interest

22/23.65 Public Question Time

Members of the public are invited to address the Council, give their views and question the Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration (at the discretion of the Chairman). Members of the public may not take part in the Council meeting itself. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 5 minutes. Members of the public should address their representation through the Chairman of the meeting.

A member of the Maldon Croquet Club addressed the meeting with regards to using Pitch 2 as a temporary ground for up to 2 years whilst they looked for a new permanent location. There was some discussion regarding the Club's requirements in terms of access and storage and it was advised that as Pitch 2 was a public area it may not be possible to ensure that the ground could be kept to the high standards normally required.

22/23.66 To approve Minutes of the Leisure, Activities & Facilities Committee meeting held 11 July 2022

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 11 July 2022 be amended to note that Cllr A Keeler was not present and had sent his apologies. The minutes were then approved and signed as a correct record

22/23.67 Actions from the Minutes

The actions were noted

22/23.68 Croquet Club

Following debate, it was agreed that the Croquet Club would be offered the use of Pitch 2 as a temporary home ground from 1 April to 31 October at a cost of £500.00 per month ground rent and £4,860.00 plus VAT to cover the cost of the required grass cutting

RESOLVED: that the Clerk contact the Croquet Club offering the use of Pitch 2 as a temporary home ground from 1 April to 31 October at a cost of £500.00 per month ground rent and £4,860.00 plus VAT to cover the cost of the required grass cutting, proposed by Cllr Chaney and seconded by Cllr Orange, agreed

22/23.69 Budget 2023/2024

Following review and discussion it was agreed that the proposed budget requested would be £60,383 and would recommend increases in the income streams as follows: Football pitch hire to £40.00 per game, Cricket Wicket hire to £80.00 per game and Heathcote School use to £2,400.00.

RESOLVED: that the proposed budget requested would be £60,383 and would recommend increases in the income streams as follows: Football pitch hire to £40.00 per game, Cricket Wicket hire to £80.00 per game and Heathcote School use to £2,400.00, proposed by Cllr A Chapman and seconded by Cllr Armstrong, agreed

22/23.70 Matters for Communication

There were no matters for communication

22/23.71 Matters for Report (for information only)

The Chairman of the Committee thanked Cllr Chaney for her input to the committee discussions

22/23.62 Dates of next meeting

Monday 21 November to be held at the Parish Office at 7.30pm – budget meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm

Chairman

Date