

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL, HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2021 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:** Cllrs Sara Budzik (Chair), Lynn Forsyth, Chris Mulligan, Lindsey Maggs, Mel Roper, Kevin Shaw, Liz Taylor, Lesley Way, Richard Miller

The Clerk Sue Lewis and Cllr Carys Thomas, were also present.

**20/AME/82**                      **Apologies for Absence**    None

**20/AME/83**                      **Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda**

None

**20/AME/84**                      **Chair's Announcements**

None

**20/AME/85**                      **To Report any Matters Arising from Minutes of the Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> March not on the agenda – for information only**

All covered on tonight's agenda.

**20/AME/86**                      **To Agree Policy for Users of Playing Fields by Sporting Groups**

The Chair referred members to the draft policy previously circulated.

Following a discussion, it was agreed to adopt the Policy which will be issued to all Sporting Groups using the Parish Council land. Notices to be displayed in all areas plus on social media requesting users to contact the Parish Council for permission where they will be given the Policy.

**Proposed Cllr Sara Budzik  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Lesley Way**

**20/AME/87**                      **To discuss the removal of Benches on Rest Garden and Pinfold, & Replacement of bench on Stocking Lane (see email)**

Cllr Liz Taylor requested that the benches be removed especially the one in the Rest Garden as it is covered in bird dirt. The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Groundsmen about the removal. The bench in the Rest Garden was put there following request from the Amenities Committee at the time, as the seat is concreted in it would cost to have it replaced. It was agreed in the short term that the Groundsmen clean the bench on a regular basis and will be reviewed again in a few months.

Bench on the Pinfold, it was agreed to have this bench painted.

Request for replacement bench on Stocking Lane – It was agreed to let the family replace the bench with a plaque, but it would have to be in line with the benches in the village.

**20/AME/88**                      **To Approve Plans for Play Equipment on the Oldershaw Trust for recommendation at Full Council**

Cllr Carys Thomas referred to the report prepared by the Assistant Clerk and herself on the Consultation that took place with residents on Cornflower Way and Meeting House Close.

The Working Party are recommending that we go ahead with the scheme as per the quote. We did consider the issues raised at the consultation and the main one was seating and security. Seating we are going to progress independently and CCTV we will keep an eye on this and review again later. The Clerk has applied to Rushcliffe to commit the Section 106 funds as yet no response received. Additional insurance cost would be approx. £170. Waiting to see if we require planning permission.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Amenities recommend to Full Council that we place the order immediately after Full Council on the 28<sup>th</sup> April and the order will specify installation by the end of June.

**Proposed Cllr Lynn Forsyth  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Chris Mulligan**

### **20/AME/89**

#### **Project tracker –**

- **Planting** – To consider flower troughs at the entrances to the village and signs for bees. It was agreed that we mark on a map of village areas of land where wildflowers seed have been planted. Permission is being sought from both Rushcliffe and Nottinghamshire County Council for planting of wildflower seeds, if agreed bee signs can then be erected on the land where sown and Cllr Lesley Way will seek advice from Cllr Walker at Rushcliffe.

Cllrs Sara Budzik and Wendy Thompson to prepare a Policy for the planting of wildflowers.

Flower troughs – the plan is to have 5 troughs at the entrances to the village, Castle Hill, Costock Road, Woodgate Road, West Leake Road and Gotham Road. The troughs to be mental containers placed between the posts slightly off the ground planted with perennials. Plantscape are preparing a quote and we will then have to apply for a licence. Sponsorship of the troughs to be considered.

- **Water Fountain** – Order placed and will hopefully be installed in approx. 2 weeks' time.
- **Play Area** – Still on track for repairs to commence in June in time for the summer holidays.

### **20/AME/90**

#### **To Receive a request from James Richards Circus and Funfairs Limited to hold events on the Gotham Road Recreation Ground**

Both requests were agreed so long as they adhere to our Terms and Conditions and the funfair will be subject to the Roadmap not changing.

### **20/AME/91**

#### **To Report Correspondence received since the last meeting – for information only**

1. Paul Phillips, Rushcliffe Borough Council – Notification of delivery of 2.5kg wild flower seeds – Noted

2. Paul Phillips, Rushcliffe Borough Council – Notification that Streetwise incorrectly failed to empty bins over the bank holiday also the bin by sculpture will be replaced with a larger bin.
3. Copy of email from resident sent to Cllr K Shaw re dangerous parking on Costock Road on a Sunday morning – Noted.
4. Laura Trusler – Reply re parking on Costock Road – Noted
5. James Hatchett, Rights of Way Via East Midlands – Identified tree roots on footpath behind Works Depot – making further enquiries.
6. Paul Phillips, Rushcliffe Borough Council – Tree Council Newsletter

**20/AME/92**

**Questions to Chair (in accordance with Standing Order 1u)**

There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm