

CASTLE DONINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Recreation Meeting held on 9 February 2017 at 7.30pm at the
Parish Rooms, Hillside, Castle Donington

PRESENT: Cllrs M Barker-Lane, C Burton, G Dalby, D Groom, R Nickless (in the chair), G Roberts, A Saffell, R Sizer, A Sowter and D Wintle.

APOLOGIES: Cllr Ambrose-Jones (work), R Else (work) and C Hills (work).

ABSENT: Cllr N Daykin

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : None.

975/17 TO INVITE NEW COUNCILLOR TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: Cllr D Groom wishes to be a member of this committee.

976/17 PLAYING FIELDS

a) Spital Park

- Users Group (football/rugby clubs) representative issues and comments other than matters covered on the agenda. No one present.
- CDFC French weekend – Cllr C Burton updated the Parish Council regarding an e-mail received by the CDFC requesting the use of the Spital Pavilion over the weekend from the Thursday evening to the Monday. However, the Clerk advised that there are two regular users of the facility. **RESOLVED:** The Chairman and Clerk are to liaise with all parties to accommodate all requests.
- Replacement of rainwater harvester (deferred from earlier meeting) – The rainwater harvester was installed when the building was new and allowed the Parish Council to obtain a substantial grant at that time, however, the pump is now absolute and thus parts are unobtainable. The cost of replacing the harvester is £950 which would take a number of years to recoup the money saved on the water rates. **RESOLVED:** To continue to run the system on mains water and not purchase a new rainwater harvester.
- Carparks – Re-grading works to the various car park areas. **RESOLVED:** To approve the works at a cost of approximately £400.
- Teenage Play Equipment – Tesco grant update. Cllr C Burton advised that he had met with the Tesco representative to view the equipment installed and had confirmed that they would like to have a publicity photo shoot and to release the final part of the grant. More grants will be available going forward for different projects. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.

b) Moira Dale

- Users Group (football/cricket clubs) representative issues and comments other than matter covered on the agenda. No one present.
- Overflow carpark – To approve additional works in conjunction with the Village Hall Committee (to be discussed in conjunction with Stonehill and Cemetery works) – Cllr C Burton updated the Parish Council on the requirement of 20 ton of wayfarer for Moira Dale overflow car park and cemetery paths at a cost of £1150 for the stone, plus a days man and machine for each job. The Village Hall committee has agreed to contribute £500 towards this work. **RESOLVED:** To approve the works as discussed.

c) Stonehill playing fields

- Entrance path re-grading works and removal of trees – 20mm to dust is required for Stonehill entrance at a cost of £630 plus £400 for machinery and labour. Tree removal can be carried out by CDPC Groundsman and Lengthsman. **RESOLVED:** To approve the works as discussed.

977/17 OPEN SPACE/PLAY AREAS

1. Merchantman Mews – Cllr C Burton updated the Parish Council that the play area was almost finished. The Clerk advised that a complaint had been received from a neighbouring

- resident and was currently checking the details and liaising with the resident. The play area is a planning condition for the house development. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
2. Footpath walks – Donington Park/East Midlands Distribution site. Nothing to report. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
 3. Common land – Update on various matters – The Clerk advised that no further progress had been made to date in restoring the fence etc to denote the Common Land and had chased the owner. The Councillors discussed the outstanding issue. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to write to the owner offering to carry out the works on their behalf and recharge at cost if unable to complete the works themselves.
 4. Centenary Fields Programme – Protecting valuable green space – As part of the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme – The Chairman advised everything was progressing with the request of a plaque to be erected and to hold an official opening with the Royal British Legion. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information
 5. Darsway – Hedge issues – The Clerk advised the Parish Council that a complaint had been received from a resident regarding ivy growing in the hedge adjoining their garden causing issues. Part of the hedge had already been removed and the ivy is not easily removable. **RESOLVED:** The Parish Council approved to remove the hedge as long as there were no neighbour objections.
 6. Campion Hill grass verge – Following on from the recent planning approval for 13 dwellings off the Spital, the Parish Council should be aware of the potential for a footpath to be placed over this land and the covenants in place and how or what would be any plan of action going forward. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to write to NWLDC advising that the footpath drawn in the plans crosses Parish Council land and that no permission for such a path had been requested or given.

978/17 ALLOTMENTS

Re-grading of the allotment tracks – discussion took place. **RESOLVED:** To undertake the work to the main entrance tracks, however, to look at the other tracks to determine additional work that may be required.

979/17 PLAY PROVISION

To look at buying in services as in previous years eg mobile skate park. The Clerk advised there are a lot of opportunities to undertake one-off activities, but clarity is needed from the young people as to what sort of things that they would like. **RESOLVED:** That the mobile skate park had been a success when held two years ago on Bosworth Road, that this should be progressed. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to consult with the young people as to other projects that be recreational or leisure, out door or indoor and potential ideas for the new Hub.

980/17 SECTION 106

To consider projects utilising this funding. The Chairman advised that funding from the new houses was approximately £300,000 to date and asked all Councillors for ideas as to potential projects. A suggestion was made for the raised pitch at the Spital to install an all-weather surface at approximately £150,000. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk asked all Councillors to think of other projects i.e. basketball, tennis, football etc. and for the matter to be discussed at a future meeting and after consultation with the young people.

Meeting closed 8.22pm.