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Approved minutes of a meeting of Henstridge Parish Council's Open Spaces Committee on Monday 24th July 2017 in the Village Hall Lounge, Ash Walk, Henstridge.

Present: Simon Cullum (Chair), John Graham, Carolyn Nichols, David Nichols and Barry Paginton.

Clerk: Zöe Godden

No members of the public were present.

The meeting began at 19:31.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies had been received from Dennis Finch.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the reason for absence as reported.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Public Participation.

No members of the public were present.

4. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19th June 2017.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the minutes as presented.

5. Matters deferred and arising from previous meetings:

- a. To note receipt of a reply from the regular complainant and agree any further action to be taken – deferred from last meeting.

It was **agreed** that no further response was required at this stage.

- b. To hear an update on a possible route and locations for raised herb beds. (DF)

It was **agreed** to defer this matter to the next meeting.

6. Recreation Ground

- a. To consider a request from Stalbridge Football Club that they are allowed to use the football pitch on a regular basis for the season beginning in September 2017 and to consider using the current agreement and fee structure.

The Clerk summarised the detail of the request from Stalbridge Football Club, as follows:

- Stalbridge FC would like to use Henstridge football pitch for one of its U18 teams' home matches on alternate Sundays (with flexibility to change due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances)
- Matches would take place every other Sunday throughout the season, which runs from the beginning of September to the end of May
- A fixture list should be available by mid-August
- Stalbridge FC would be able to arrange for white lining to be carried out

It was noted that Stalbridge FC would need to speak to the Village Hall Management committee about use of the changing rooms and that this arrangement would be separate from the agreement for use of the pitch. It was **agreed** that David Nichols would update the Village Hall Management Committee on this matter.

Action 170724/1: David Nichols

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that Stalbridge Football Club would be allowed to rent the main football pitch at a cost of £200 per year and with the implementation of the standard tenancy agreement.

Action 170724/2: Parish Clerk

b. To note receipt of an email from a local business asking if the Committee would like to consider having a BMX track constructed, using the spoil from the perimeter track and patio. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should arrange for the contractor to meet with John Graham to discuss this matter in more detail.

Action 170724/3: Parish Clerk & John Graham

c. To note progress with arrangements for the Picnic in the Park event and agree any further action to be taken. (SC)

The Clerk was instructed to try again to book an ice cream van, as she had not received a response from the two companies already approached.

Action 170724/4: Parish Clerk

Barry Paginton offered to bring a gazebo.

Action 170724/5: Barry Paginton

The Clerk was instructed to forward Viridor logos to Simon Cullum for inclusion on the publicity poster.

Action 170724/6: Parish Clerk

David Nichols offered to put up the Viridor plaque on the wall of the Village Hall and to source an engraved plaque to indicate that the Viridor funding had been used for the perimeter track and patio.

Action 170724/7: David Nichols

d. To note completion of the path and patio and to agree that the work is not satisfactory and agree further action to be taken. (SC)

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that no further was required and that the Clerk should contact SSDC to inform them that all matters pertaining to the perimeter track and patio had been resolved and to invite all of the contractors and other SSDC staff involved to the Picnic in the Park event. David Nichols volunteered to address any questions from Viridor, and undertake any meetings they might require

Action 170724/8: Parish Clerk

e. To note that children have been able to gain access to the roof of the machinery shed due to the proximity of certain trees and the heap of spoil and to agree how to resolve this. (SC)
Simon Cullum reported that, on learning of this problem, he had instructed the Clerk to arrange for the trees behind the shed to be cut back and that James Chant had been engaged to carry out this work at a cost of £50. This is in line with Financial Regulation 4.1. David Nichols reported that Geoff Jarvis had offered to replace the damaged skylights with corrugated metal and it was **agreed** that the Committee approved this course of action.

f. To note that the skate park shelter has yet to be repaired and to agree any further action to be taken. (DN)

David Nichols reported that the sheets had been cut and were waiting to be sprayed. The Clerk reported that various toe plates had lifted away from the tarmac and now required urgent repair. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should take steps to have the toe plates repaired as soon as possible.

Action 170724/9: Parish Clerk

g. To consider a request from a resident that he is allowed to restore one of the benches in memory of his late wife.

It was **agreed** that the Committee approved this request. It was further **agreed** that Simon Cullum would make enquiries regarding refurbishment of the other three benches.

Action 170724/10: Simon Cullum

h. To note that SSDC has replaced the dog waste bin near the Village Hall, free of charge.
Noted.

7. Allotments

a. To hear an update on allotment allocation and any issues arising.
There were no new matters to report.

b. To note that residents have installed gates into their back fences providing them with access to the allotment track and to note that the Clerk has reported this to Yarlinton Homes, who are addressing this with the residents concerned.

Noted.

8. Other

- a.** To consider matters to be submitted to Wots On magazine and agree members to write articles accordingly.

It was **agreed** that Simon Cullum would write about the perimeter track and patio project, John Graham would write about the use of the Recreation Ground by Stalbridge Football Club and the Clerk would write about any other matters.

Action 170724/11: Simon Cullum, John Graham and Parish Clerk

- 9. Future meetings:** the next Open Spaces Committee meeting would take place on Monday 18th September 2017 at 7.30pm.

The meeting ended at 20:30.

Agreed and signed by the Chair _____

Date _____