

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreations Advisory Committee  
held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 9:30am**

**Present:**

Cllr. S. Burkitt, Cllr M. Hanrahan, Cllr M. Ireland and Cllr. K Tait (Chair)

**In attendance:**

J. Mitchell (Town Clerk) and A. Carrick (Dronfield Running Club)

**1. Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Minutes of the last meeting**

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

**4. Items for exclusion of the public**

It was RESOLVED there were no items for discussion which required the public to be excluded.

**5. Hilltop / Big Dipper Race**

Members discussed the required use of Hilltop park for the Big Dipper event being organised by Dronfield Running Club.

It was RESOLVED to send a copy of the Commercial Use of Parks policy to Dronfield Running Club and request copies of the documents specified in the policy plus any other information to support their application to use Hilltop park.

**6. Outstanding Tickets**

Members reviewed and discussed the spreadsheet of outstanding jobs, relating to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.

It was RESOLVED to note the updates.

**7. Signage**

Members were informed that NEDDC can provide five 'dog fouling' signs to the council free of charge and a copy of the artwork so that any remaining signs can be ordered and printed by the council.

It was RESOLVED to note this update.

**8. Cliffe Park**

Members were informed that no further action had been taken regarding the roundabout at Cliffe Park due to awaiting information from the Outside Services Manager who is currently off work.

It was RESOLVED to note this update.

#### **9. Sindelfingen Park**

Members were informed that an order had been placed to repair the roundabout but no date had yet been confirmed for the work to be carried out.

It was RESOLVED to note this update.

Members reviewed two quotes that had been received to replace the zip wire.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to council that the quote of £9,272.50 is accepted pending a third quote.

Members discussed a request to replace the basketball nets at Sindelfingen Park.

It was RESOLVED to replace the basketball nets and arrange for Outside Services to paint the backboards.

Members discussed the 'Sindelfingen Park' sign.

It was RESOLVED to arrange for the cleaning of the Sindelfingen Park sign.

Members discussed a request from the Scouts to plant a tree in Sindelfingen Park to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to council that permission is granted to the Scouts to plant a native tree species in Sindelfingen Park in a location to be agreed with Outside Services.

Members discussed two possible grant funding opportunities for the purchase of new trees to plant in Sindelfingen Park.

It was RESOLVED to investigate the grant funding options further and apply if possible, by the deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022.

#### **10. Dronfield Woodhouse**

Members discussed a quote received for the removal of wet pour at Dronfield Woodhouse recreation ground.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to council to accept the quote of £2,350 to remove the wet pour, pending confirmation of the work included as part of the quote.

#### **11. Moonpenny Park**

Members discussed the continued damage to the trampoline at Moonpenny park.

It was RESOLVED to contact Wicksteed to make enquiries about the best way to repair the trampoline long term and bring back solutions to the next committee meeting.

#### **12. Stonelow Park**

Members were informed that all parts had been ordered for the repairs at Stonelow and they discussed the installation of a possible new piece of equipment.

It was RESOLVED to investigate the possibility and cost of installing a stone climbing structure within Stonelow Park and bring back suggestions to the next committee meeting.

**13. Cemetery Road Park**

Members were informed that a letter had been sent to the Managing Director of Kompan regarding the outstanding issues with the trampoline at Cemetery Road park but no response had yet been received.

It was RESOLVED to note this update.

**14. Marsh Avenue Park**

Members discussed a request from the owner of land on Trent Grove to fence off a 2.5m x 20m section of the park.

It was RESOLVED to decline this request and inform the landowner of this decision.

**15. Bowling Green Maintenance and Cutting**

Members were informed that the current contractor that maintains the bowling greens had explained that the additional nine cuts per green, he thinks are required, were not included as part of the original quote as he was provided with the specifications required by the council.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to council to pay the additional £675 for the additional nine cuts per green and request a copy of the full work schedule for the year for each green.

**16. AV Irrigation**

Members discussed a contract with AV Irrigation to maintain and commission and decommission the irrigation system on the bowling green at Coal Aston.

It was RESOLVED to write to Coal Aston bowling club to ask them to clarify what work AV Irrigation carry out and bring the information back to the next committee meeting.

**17. Lawnmowers**

Members discussed the requirement for two new lawn mowers for use by Outside Services and a number of quotes were considered.

It was RESOLVED to gain further information from Outside Services regarding the current number of lawnmowers, the model, age, condition and where they are currently used and bring this back to the next committee meeting.

**18. Operational Inspections**

Members discussed continuing the operational inspections of the parks.

It was RESOLVED to gain a quote from HAGS to continue with the operational inspections in the parks and bring it back to the next committee meeting.

**19. Date of next meeting**

It was RESOLVED to hold the next Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30am.

The meeting closed at 11:46am.