

Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on 10th March 2021 at 7.00pm using the ZOOM video conferencing platform.

Present: Councillors: Edwards, Koning, Molyneux, Tullett (chairman) and Wall.
Officers: David Stevens (Clerk's Assistant).
Two members of the public

1. CHAIRMAN

Meeting was chaired by Councillor Tullett.

2. APOLOGIES

- a. **Resolved to receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend from Councillors Bollen and Swambo.
- b. **Resolved to accept** those apologies received with reasons for absence from Councillors Bollen and Swambo.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members. None received.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. **Resolved to approve** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2021.
- b. **To consider** any questions arising from those minutes. There were none.

5. PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Resolved to accept that item 8a be taken out of order by decision of the Chairman, due to a member of the public being present to speak on this item.

Mr S Blandford attended the meeting to request that the dog bin on the verge outside Wirewood's Green Manor be relocated from its temporary position closer to the footpath and nearer to the Belway development and orchard. Councillor Wall commented that the dog bin was reachable from the footpath and that the dog bin should be permanently installed in its current position. Councillor Koning commented that the dog bin was in the right position as no other residents have commented. Councillor Koning also commented that the dog bin could be moved back towards the fence but it would then be on a steep slope. Councillors unanimously agreed to permanently install the dog bin in its current position.

6. CLERK'S ASSISTANT REPORT

- a. **Resolved to note and accept** the Amenities budget sheet. The Clerk's Assistant advised that some of the items to be considered on this agenda will need to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
- b. **Resolved to note** garden spoil being placed on Council land in Wyebank Road has been removed and a letter from the Clerk was sent to the resident concerned.
- c. **Resolved to note** fly tipping on Council land along Buttington Road has been cleared.
- d. **Resolved to note** the replacement noticeboard at Woodcroft has been installed.
- e. **Resolved to note** the churchyard wall survey has been completed and survey received. Councillors requested the Clerk's Assistant for quotations for category 1 work to be considered at the next meeting.
- f. **Resolved to note** feedback received from GCC Street Lighting that CCTV units to be relocated to other street columns now have a weight limit of 5kg and if heavier require a column survey within three months.

7. TO CONSIDER CHURCHYARD WORKS AND ISSUES

- a. **Resolved to accept** request for two plaques for the unmarked graves of John Edward Parris and Annie Parris, husband and wife, to be placed in St John's Church, Beachley. Councillors agreed to this request due to the unique family history and its relevance to the history of Tidenham Parish.

- b. **Resolved to accept** replacing the gates at St. Luke's Church, Tutshill to the design as agreed with the church warden. Councillor considered the incremental cost and types of wood. The cost for replacement gates to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
 - i. Resolved not to accept Greenfields (Replace one gate, one double gate with fence and one plastic fence all in Western Red Cedar, modify one metal gate) **£3,432 + Vat = £4,118.40.**
 - ii. **Resolved to accept** WM Garden Services (Replace one gate, one double gate with fence and one plastic fence all in Oak, modify one gate) **£3,015 + Vat = £3,618.00.**

8. TO CONSIDER OPEN SPACE ISSUES

- a. **Resolved to accept** the permanent installation of the dog bin on the grass verge outside Wirewood's Green Manor. See item 5 public consultation.
 - i. Forest Equipment Services. **No cost.**
- b. **Resolved to accept** the purchase of new handles for the unlocked defibrillator doors.
 - i. Defib Store. 4 handles at £13.00 each **£52 + Vat = £62.40.**
- c. **Resolved to accept** the felling of an additional Ash tree with die back that is immediately next to tree T266 at St Mary's and St Peter's Church, Tidenham. Tree T266 was previously considered in January 2021.
 - i. Celtic Roots Tree Services. **£280 no Vat.**
- d. **Resolved to accept** no further action to be taken regarding police report of damage to the bench next to the play area behind King Alfred's Road.
- e. **Resolved to accept** the removal of the damaged bus shelter on the A48 south bound at Wibden, Rosemary Lane and not to replace for the time being. The cost of removal to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
 - i. Resolved not to accept Shelter Solutions. 2 bay, 2 metre. **£3,820 + Vat = £4,584.00.**
 - ii. Resolved not to accept Shelter Solutions. 3 bay, 3 metre. **£4,440 + Vat = £5,328.00.**
 - iii. Resolved not to accept Ace Shelters. 2 bay, 2 metre. **£3,760 + Vat = £4,512.00.**
 - iv. Resolved not to accept Ace Shelters. 3 bay, 3 metre. **£4,340 + Vat = £5,208.00.**
 - v. Resolved not to accept GW Shelters. 2 bay, 2 metre. **£4,209 + Vat = £5,050.80.**
 - vi. Resolved not to accept GW Shelters. 3 bay, 3 metre. **£5,135 + Vat = £6,162.00.**
 - vii. **Resolved to accept** Haydn Bynon. Removal of existing damaged bus shelter. **£70 no Vat.**
- f. **Resolved to not accept** the total cost to relocate the cctv unit in King Alfred's Road to the public footpath between Tallard's Place and Buttington Road. See item 6f Clerk's Assistant Report.
 - i. Oakey & Son Ltd. Initial relocation of cctv unit. **£170 + Vat = £204.00.**
As i was not accepted ii or iii was not considered.
 - ii. Oakey & Son Ltd. Future relocation of cctv unit – no longer than 3 months. **£170 + Vat = £204.00.**
 - iii. GCC Street Lighting/Kiwa. Inspection and testing of lighting column – required if longer than 3 months. **£495 + Vat = £594.00.**
- g. **Resolved to postpone considering** the cost to either purchase or rent a mobile (relocatable) cctv unit solution that includes latest camera and remote access to a future meeting.
 - i. Redhand. Outright purchase excl data/internet and maintenance. **£1,476 + Vat = £1,771.20.**
Data & Internet and System Maintenance – per month. **£75.21 + Vat = £90.25.**
 - ii. Redhand. Monthly rental. **£116.21 + Vat = £139.45.**

9. TO CONSIDER PLAY AREA ISSUES

- a. **Resolved to accept** lifting the top and lubricating the rolling surfaces, investigate for rotation issues, on the roundabout in Buttington Road play area. The cost of repair to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
 - i. Greenfields. **£220 + Vat = £264.00.**
- b. **Resolved to accept** repairing the wooden play equipment at Sedbury & Beachley Village Hall. The cost of repair to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
 - i. **Resolved to accept** Greenfields – Repair Junior Multiplay. **£152.78 + Vat = £183.34.**
 - ii. **Resolved to accept** Greenfields – Repair Activity Trail. **£1,376.32 + Vat = £1,651.58.**

- iii. Resolved not to accept Greenfields – Replace Junior Multiplay. £7,586.44 + Vat = £9,103.73.
- iv. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Replace Multiplay. £6,870 + Vat = £8,244.00.
- v. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Replace Activity Trail. £9,000 + Vat = £10,800.00.
- vi. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Grass Matting. £2,250 + Vat = £2,700.00.
- vii. Resolved not to accept Playdale – Replace Mutliplay & Activity Trail. £33,015.36 + Vat = £39,618.43.
- c. Resolved to accept** repairing the Playhouse and Somersault Bars play equipment at Tutshill War Memorial Recreation Ground. The cost of repair to be taken from the 2021/22 budget.
 - i. Resolved not to accept Greenfields – Repair. £2,187 + Vat = £2,624.40.
 - ii. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Replace. £6,050 + Vat = £7,260.00.
 - iii. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Replace. £2,300 + Vat = £2,760.00.
 - iv. **Resolved to accept** Playdale – Repair including surface. **£2,070.63 + Vat = £2,484.76.**
 - v. Resolved not to accept Playdale – Replace. £12,432.20 + Vat = £14,918.64.
- d. Resolved not to accept** the repair of the Multiplay play equipment at Woodcroft. The condition of the Multiplay equipment to be reviewed following the next annual inspection.
 - i. Resolved not to accept Greenfields – Repair. £150 + Vat = £180.00.
 - ii. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Repair. £360 + Vat = £432.00.
 - iii. Resolved not to accept WM Garden Services – Replace. £6,200 + Vat = £7,440.00.
 - iv. Resolved not to accept Playdale – Replace incl. grasslok surfacing. £14,971.30 + Vat = £17,965.56.

10. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

No correspondence received.

11. TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR'S LOCAL REPORTS AND MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Councillor Wall – Reported that some of the benches on the War Memorial Recreation Ground required cleaning and possible refurbishment. Councillor Wall volunteered to report this matter to the War Memorial Trust.

12. CHAIRMAN FOR NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be chaired by Councillor Koning.

13. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Next meeting 12th May 2021.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8:42pm.