

Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on 11th January 2023 at 7.00pm at Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall, King Alfred's Road, Sedbury.

Present: Councillors: Bollen, Koning, Swambo (chairman) and Tullett.
Officers: D Stevens (Assistant Clerk).

1. ATTENDANCE

- a. **Resolved to receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend from Cllrs McBride, Molyneux and Wall.
- b. **Resolved to accept** those apologies received with reasons for absence from Cllrs McBride, Molyneux and Wall.

2. 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.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. **Resolved to approve** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 9th November, 2022.
- b. **Resolved to consider** any matters arising from those minutes. There were no questions.

4. PUBLIC CONSULTATION

There were no members of the public present.

5. ASSISTANT CLERK'S REPORT

- a. **Resolved to note and accept** the Amenities budget sheet.
- b. **Resolved to note** the batteries have been replaced in the Woodcroft and Loop Road defibrillators. The batteries cost £684 vs the £552 considered and approved at the November 2021 meeting.
- c. **Resolved to note** proposed Amenities 2023/24 budget was reduced by £5,000 for future new playground equipment and by £672 being the transfer of Shirley's Grove tree survey to Tutshill War Memorial Hall and Recreation Trust.

6. TO CONSIDER CHURCHYARD WORKS AND ISSUES

Resolved to note meeting with the Diocese to consider churchyard repair funding is being arranged by the Clerk.

7. TO CONSIDER OPEN SPACE ISSUES

- a. **Resolved to approve** quote for the third-year tree maintenance as suggested in the 2020 arborist report. Councillors considered both quotes and approved Greenfields quote based on recent years' experience. Note, three contractors were asked to quote and two quotes received.
 - i. **Resolved to approve** Greenfields. £1,300 + Vat = £1,560.
 - ii. **Resolved not to approve** Trunk Arb Ltd. £975 + Vat = £1,170.
- b. **Resolved to approve** the style and cost for three chat benches to be fitted in the previously agreed locations. Installation to be undertaken by GCC Highways. Suggested bench is as recent purchases used in play areas. As this is a new capital purchase it will need to be considered by the Full Council. The Clerk to write to residents next to each proposed location to be informed of the Council's intention to install the chat benches.
 - i. Glasdon - Phoenix® Recycled Material Seat (Slats: Brown Enviropol Material, Fixing: Concrete surface fixing bolts, Tamper-resistant fixing covers: Tamper-resistant fixing covers, Supplied as: Fully assembled). £578.65 each + Vat = £2,083.14 total

- c. **Resolved not to approve** a defibrillator for the Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall. Cllr Bollen informed the Committee that the Village Hall Committee will be donating the funding for a defibrillator to be installed inside the Village Hall. Defibrillator use training to be given to the lead person of each group using the Village Hall.

8. TO CONSIDER PLAY AREA ISSUES

None.

9. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Resolved to note there was no correspondence.

10. TO RECEIVE COUNCILLORS' LOCAL REPORTS AND MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Resolved to note there were no councillor local reports.

11. RESOLVED TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Next meeting 8th March, 2023.

The meeting closed at 19:25 hours.