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Members are reminded to put their phones and mobile devices on silent and follow the agreed procedure for communications and social media.

EOS18/22 Those present and apologies for absence.

Chair Cllr D Belton.

Cllrs J Burton, C Stanley, R Dowell, E Callis, D Sperring, , C Roe, B Smart

Motion. The Committee accepted apologies for absence from Cllrs J Lumley J Sawford.

EOS19/22 Public Forum

There were no ** members of the public present

EOS20/22 Substitutes

No substitutes have been appointed.

EOS21/22 Non-Committee Members Attending

Cllr S Belton Lambourne.

EOS22/22 Declaration of Interests

District Councillors C Stanley D Sperring, J Lumley, C Roe declared interests.
Burton 26/22 Sperring

Correspondence

Member to note the entry form for Essex Best Kept Playing Field Competition 2022 has been received and the Town Council will entry the same categories as in previous years at a cost of £10. Members to agree to pay the annual membership cost of £30.

EOS23/22 Committee Budget

Members to receive and approve.

Questions about budget – small overspends,

EOS24/22 New Bookings

Member to approve the hire application submitted by the Rayleigh Lions Club to hold the Fireworks Displays on Saturday 5th November 2022. As in previous years the playing field will close to all members of public at 11am, to comply with health

and safety for the setting up of the display. Football will be cancelled for the weekend. The organisers will be required to complete the Rochford District Council Event Management Plan as in previous years.

A grant of £850 has been awarded by the Town Council towards the hire of the playing field.

EOS25/22 Football Pitches

Training & Fixtures

Members to note that the weekly Saturday morning training and weekend fixtures continues to take place and to date one weekend was cancelled (5th/6th March 2022) due to weather conditions.

EOS26/22 Bowls club

Dates are being arranged to meet with the club to discuss their proposed refurbishment plans. Cllrs R Dowell, E Callis and C Stanley will attend.

EOS27/22 Play Area

To note that the offer of engagement has been extended until 25th March as there had been no interest in the tender. A company that has called the office directly, have been requested to provide a quote to repair the wet pour surface under the swings as a separate item.

Resolved. The council accepts the wet pour proposed D Belton seconded Cllr Dowell and carried unanimously.

Leave the contract running to generate interest.

Two companies have expressed an interest, but there has been no serious proposals.

Contingency- write to as many companies to advise that the contract is still open.

EOS28/22 Petanque

Members noted that the specification to install one petanque rink in the rose garden has been sent to companies to gain quotes.

EOS29/22 John Fisher Open Space

Report and papers to follow.

Legal agreement was not available – draft heads of terms were noted.

Maintenance costs. 2018 price of £133,000 was known to the RBAG and the Council.

It there a legal agreement with Rayleigh Boys to undertake the repairs. There is a written proposal that takes on all the costs of repair in a three-year staged plan. They have been investigating the grant funding opportunities. Once the RDC lease is agreed, the RBAG can also have an agreement.

Insurance for the pavilion.

There are no other organisations interested in the pavilion which is not currently in use. The Council will only take on the fields and improve the play facilities. RBAG have seen the costing and are willing to consider them.

On the basis that the council will recommend subject to clarification of

The committee recommends that the council will accept the lease for JF subject to legal opinion and due diligence when the lease is published. Belton Dowell and carried unanimously

EOS30/22 Floral Displays in Playing Field

Members to note that floral displays around the pavilion and the picnic bench area need planting for the spring/summer. Members to volunteer to procure plants or assist with the planting. It was agreed that the office was to purchase as before

EOS31/22 Allotments

To note that an allotments subcommittee meeting has been arranged for Monday 21st March 2022 at 10.00am.

Positive meeting that agreed that there will be site inspections. Considered flooding at sweyne. Root damage to the shed.

Staff have been verbally abused – should this happen again then the culprit's tenancy will be revoked.

Resolved. The Allotment budget will be carried forward to 2022 – 3. Proposed Clle D Belton