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Dear Member

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the Environment & Open Spaces Committee to be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30pm at the Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Bull Lane, Rayleigh, SS6 8JD (entrance via Websters Way) for the transaction of business as set out below. The press and public are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely,

### Minutes

#### **EOS46/22 Those present and apologies for absence.**

Present: Cllrs D Belton, J Burton, C Stanley, R Dowell, E Callis, D Sperring, C Roe, B Smart, D Mercer and J Waight.

Apologies from Cllrs J Lumley and J Sawford

Also in attendance: Miss K Gaiger, Deputy Town Clerk

**Motion.** The Council to record and accept apologies for absence.

#### **EOS47/22 Public Forum**

None present

#### **EOS48/22 Substitutes**

None present

#### **EOS49/22 Non-Committee Members Attending**

Cllr J Waight attended as a non committee member

#### **EOS50/22 Declaration of Interests**

Cllrs D Belton, D Sperring, C Roe, C Stanley declared a non-pecuniary interest in matters relating to Rochford District Council by virtue of being a member of that council.

Cllr J Burton declared a non-pecuniary interest in matters relating to Rayleigh Football.

#### **EOS51/22 Correspondence**

No correspondence received.

#### **EOS52/22 Committee Budget**

All Members approved the committee budget.

### **EOS53/22 New Bookings**

Yoga4all will be providing free child sessions on a Wednesday morning from 27<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> August, from 10.30am to 11.15am. Sessions need to be booked in advance via their website.

Rayleigh Bowls Club will hire both changing rooms on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022 for a fixture. The club will be charged £50 for the hire.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

### **EOS54/22 Football Pitches**

#### a) Training

Members noted that the weekly Saturday morning training will finish the last weekend in July and re-start at the end of August.

#### b) Season 2022/2023

Members received a copy of the correspondence from Ralee FC thanking the Town Council for the pitch hire over the years. All other teams have informed they will be returning for 2022/2023 season.

Members approved a booking from Sky Athletic to hire the pitch alternate weekends on a Sunday morning.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

### **EOS55/22 Play Area**

A quote is due to be received from a play area company following a site visit with Cllrs J Lumley and D Sperring to discuss the proposal for the area. The quote will be circulated to all members of the committee once received.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

### **EOS56/22 Petanque**

Members received a copy of the quote to install one petanque rink in the rose garden. This contractor was recommended by the individual who approached the Town Council, they provided a rink for Basildon Council. Members noted that other contractors have been approached for a quote but due to their work commitments they are not able to take on this project. The Town office will find out the lead time on the installation and also contract Basildon Council for a reference on the project.

Cllr J Burton proposed and Cllr D Mercer seconded to accept the quote of £5,200 to install the petanque rink providing the answers to the questions above are resolved and recommended to full council to progress with this project.

Members discussed the installation of a table tennis table in the King George V Playing Field. This would be available for all to use at no charge or need to book a playing time. It was agreed that the Town Council office would purchase a supply of bats and balls for use. The use of the table would be monitored over the summer holidays to see if it proves popular with residents. Posters and social media would be used to inform residents of the table and where equipment will be available from or to bring their own.

If the table was not a success in the King George V Playing Field it would either be moved to another site or donated to an organisation as agreed by Full Council.

RESOLVED that the above be noted.

#### **EOS57/22 John Fisher Open Space**

Members received reports provided by Cllr D Belton via email, answering questions raised by other members. Councillors thanks Cllr Belton for her work on this matter. Cllr Belton explained that the section 106 monies was available from Rochford District Council for the Little Wheatley area and that John Fisher is the only open space in this area and therefore the Town Council will be able to access to funds once the lease is signed.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

#### **EOS58/22 ELM**

Members noted that a meeting will be held with ELM on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 10.00am to discuss matters relating to the playing field. Cllrs D Belton and D Sperring would be in attendance.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

#### **EOS59/22 Essex Youth Service**

Members noted that Essex Youth Service continue to carry out the weekly detached sessions in the playing field.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

#### **EOS60/22 CROSSINGS**

The motion. To write to Essex County Council asking for them to review all pedestrian crossing in the Rayleigh area including the lighting and the road line marking.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.

#### **CROWN HILL TOILETS**

Members noted that the wall and handrail approaching the crown hill public toilets has been damaged and a quote has been accepted to carry out the necessary repair as a matter of priority.

RESOLVED that the above information be noted.