

Whiteley Parish Council

Recreation and General Purposes Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Wednesday 18th July 2012 at 7.37pm.

Parish Council Committee members present: Pat Thew (Chairman), Tazmin Smith (Vice-Chairman) Colin Bielckus, Mike Evans

Parish Councillor David Jenkins, one member of the public, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** Vivian Achwal, Hazel Croft-Phillips, Roland Diffey.
2. **To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items** None.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
4. **Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:**

6.1 To receive an update on Area K issues (Cllr Thew) **There are ongoing discussions regarding the electricity bills that are being charged to the management company for unadopted streetlights and the pumping station.**

6.2 To receive an update from the Skatepark User Forum (Chairman/Clerk) **Refer to next meeting.**

6.3 To note any outstanding play area repairs and landscape maintenance issues,
6.3.1 Proposal to install a bench on the recreation ground to replace the grasshopper **It was agreed to install a bench to match the one in Marjoram Way, quote to be obtained.**
6.3.2 Proposal to install replacement fox proof waste bins to the recreation ground **It was agreed to obtain quotes.**
6.3.3 Proposal to install a cctv camera to cover the skatepark as quote received from CCTV Systems £4,428.83 + VAT funded from the Meadowside capital element of the Whiteley Fund. **It was agreed to recommend to Full Council.**

6.4 To receive update on management plans for the Meadowside conservation area (Chairman/Clerk) **OCS to cut and collect in the autumn as last year.**

6.5 To receive update on plans for events

6.5.1 Olympic event summer 2012 – proposed new date following postponement (Chairman/Cllr Smith/Clerk) **New date in September to be agreed.**

6.5.2 Fireworks autumn 2012 (Cllr Bielckus) **Plans for the firework event on 28th October progressing.**

6.6 To receive update on devolution of open spaces and future management plans (Chairman) **Progress is slow. WCC has ordered work to the greenways that needs to be completed prior to adoption by HCC and there are plans to improve the surface water drainage on the recreation ground. The costs for this are not being met by the Parish Council's proportion of the Whiteley Fund.**

6.7 To receive an update on the proposal for an all weather pitch for football on the site of the tennis courts **DC Leisure is preparing a grant application for LEADER funding to enable the project to be delivered.**

6.8 To receive an update on the proposal to review Tree Preservation Orders on Whiteley trees (Cllr Croft-Phillips) **Refer to next meeting.**

6.9 To receive any issues regarding the ongoing review of OCS contract for landscape maintenance **Check the bins on the recreation ground are being emptied every other day.**

5. **To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit** None.
6. **Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available** Continue to monitor.
7. **Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee** None.

Meeting closed 8.25pm