

# Whiteley Parish Council

## Recreation and General Purposes Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held in the Council Rooms at Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 8.05pm.

**Committee members present** Tasmin Smith (Chairman), Colin Bielckus, Malcolm Butler, John Butter, Hazel Croft-Phillips, Mike Evans, David Jenkins.

Town Councillors Vivian Achwal and Brenda Hatch one member of the public, Town Clerk Nicki Oliver.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** Pat Thew.
2. **To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items** None.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Cllr Hatch asked about maintenance to the Gull Coppice footpath. This is an HCC responsibility and Cllrs who had recently walked the path felt it to be in good condition.
4. **Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:**

4.1 To receive an update on issues affecting privately managed areas of Whiteley (Cllr Thew) **Cllr Butler has met with an Area K resident who is campaigning on behalf of residents against the management charges. A report will be made in due course.**

4.2 To note any outstanding play area repairs and landscape maintenance issues

- 4.2.1 To receive update on project to refurbish Meadowside play area (Chairman/Clerk) **It was agreed for the Clerk to submit grant applications to the Big Lottery, Landfill Tax Credits, HPFA and HCC councillors.**
- 4.2.2 To receive quote for skatepark repairs, to consider bin issues **Quotes awaited, additional bin to be installed at the skatepark.**

4.3 To receive update on plans for events

- 4.3.1 Fireworks 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 (Cllr Bielckus) **Wash up meeting due to be held 4.30pm 9<sup>th</sup> December.**
- 4.3.2 Meadowside Music Festival 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016 (Cllr Thew/Cllr Jenkins) **Next meeting in 2016.**

4.4 Report from Tree Preservation Sub-Committee (Cllr Smith) **Refer to next meeting.**

4.5 To receive costed future project suggestions

- 4.5.1 Christmas tree for town centre (Cllr Jenkins) **Cllr Jenkins has received quotes for installing a 20' lit tree the cheapest of which is £2,394 inc VAT with £1,500 for a 15' tree.** No recommendations made.

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**  
The Clerk has met with WCC regarding the installation of lighting to the leisure centre to secure a practical layout.

Meeting closed 8.40pm