

Bransgore Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Tuesday, 9th June, 2020 at 7.30 p.m via Zoom Internet Link.

Present: Cllr. Mr. E. Jarvis; Cllr. J. Lay; Cllr. N. Linford; Cllr. J. Spinks and Cllr. M. Steele. Mr. P Dupres (Bransgore Youth Football); Mrs. K. Davies (Jack and Jill Pre School); Mrs. M. Gallacher (Bransgore Netball); Mr. D Lay (Bransgore Cricket Club); and Mr. A. Wardle (Bransgore Croquet Club). Mr. E. Macknamara (Clerk to the Council); One Member of the Public Apologies: None

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None

DEMOCRATIC SESSION: None.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR:

The Clerk asked for nominations for the Chair.

It was moved and seconded and unanimously:

RESOLVED: That Cllr. Mrs. J. Lay be elected Chair of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Cllr. Lay in the Chair

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:

It was moved and seconded that Cllr. Mr. N. Linford be elected Vice Chair of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 10th March, 2020

The minutes of the meetings held on the 10th March, 2020, having been circulated, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

a) CCTV – Pavilion and Recreation Ground: The Clerk reported at the last meeting it had been reported that to provide **One closed Circuit Television System at The Pavilion site would cost £1297 plus VAT**

A quote for the replacement of existing cameras on the Recreation Ground had now been received. To replace 3 cameras and re-use one camera would cost £422 plus VAT.

RESOLVED: That both quotes be accepted and that the CCTV provision at the Pavilion site and Recreation Ground be improved at a cost of £1719 plus VAT.

b) Village Hall Car Park Repairs: Work had been delayed due to the lockdown. The Clerk would ask the Contractor to arrange for the work to proceed.

c) MUGA Lighting: The Clerk would obtain quotes now that the lockdown had been eased.

d) Spring Clean 2020: The Annual Spring Clean had been postponed in March due to the Coronavirus outbreak and a new date was needed. Members agreed that this be deferred until the next meeting when the situation may be clearer.

e) Fence/Boundary Repair – Pavilion Site: The Clerk outlined the situation regarding the repair to the boundary fence and reported the comments of a local resident who had requested improvements to the fence repair and works to the ditch. He had also requested access to the site.

The Clerk reported that the ditch no longer functioned and had been filled many years ago and he had arranged for the area to be sprayed to kill off weeds etc. The boundary fence had been repaired following storm damage.

Members felt that it would not be appropriate to carry out any further work and incur additional expenditure and that access to the site should not be permitted without additional information.

RESOLVED: That no further action be taken at this time.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

- i) Cycle Ways: A resident had provided details of his suggestions to Hampshire County Council to carry out footpath widening in 3 locations in Bransgore. He asked the Parish Council to support these suggestions and also seek improvements to the footpaths in Burley Road (The Carpenters to Crown Junction) and along Ringwood Road (Crown Junction to the Bridge beyond the School). He also referred to the increasing speed of traffic and that a temporary 20 mph speed limit should be considered.

Widening the footpaths would help with the social distancing measure in force and the resident felt that these suggestions could be financed from funding provided by the Government to the Highway Authority as part of their scheme to reallocate road space in response to Covid 19. The meeting discussed these issues at length but did not feel it was appropriate to support a blanket 20mph speed limit. However, it was agreed that the Clerk should discuss the possibility of a 20mph temporary speed limit on Ringwood Road from the Crown Cross Roads to the Bridge – reason to protect Bransgore School Children crossing Ringwood Road into the Three Tuns car park as well as the Crown crossing.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact Hampshire County Council to discuss the possibility of implementing a 20 mph temporary speed limit on Ringwood Road from the Crown Crossroads to the Bridge.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reallocating-road-space-in-response-to-covid-19-statutory-guidance-for-local-authorities/traffic-management-act-2004-network-management-in-response-to-covid-19>

- ii) Bransgore Residents: Access to BCP Council Amenity Tips: The Clerk had raised the issue of the Amenity Tip at Wilverley Road, Christchurch no longer being available to be used by residents of Hampshire including Bransgore Residents. Hampshire County Council had explained that they had been holding discussions with BCP Council for some time about cross border arrangements but BCP had felt unable to continue with the arrangement and that Hampshire County Council didn't feel that it was appropriate in the current financial situation to contribute towards the costs of a small number of Hampshire Residents to use the Christchurch site when Hampshire run facilities were available within a reasonable distance. Hampshire County Council maintained the provision of the largest number of HWRC's (24 in total) for their residents.

The meeting noted the view expressed by the County Council's Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment but after discussion felt that BCP Council should be asked whether they would introduce a scheme whereby residents themselves could pay to use the facility in Christchurch.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact BCP Council and ask them to consider introducing a scheme whereby Bransgore Residents could pay to use the facility at the Wilverton Road Household Waste and Recycling Centre.

6. RECREATION GROUND AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE: Children's Play Equipment: The Clerk reported that Kompan (who had installed most of the play equipment on Bransgore Recreation Ground were offering a service to carry out an Inspection of the equipment prior to reopening, to ensure that the equipment was safe. The Inspection would cost £238 plus VAT and any repairs would be charged subject to a quotation.

RESOLVED: That Kompan be asked to undertake an Inspection of the Play Equipment at a cost of £238 and advise on what repairs should be carried out prior to reopening.

7. HALL USERS' OBSERVATIONS: Jack and Jill Pre School: The Committee received an update

regarding the reopening of the Pre School in the Village Hall. The Committee was asked if the Council would give the Pre School appropriate notice should the Village Hall reopen before the July term ended for the summer break. It was:

RESOLVED: That the Pre School Group be given a minimum of 2 weeks notice of any Proposal to reopen the Village Hall and that in the meantime the car park barrier remain Closed for public use.

8. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS: Village Hall Roof: The Clerk reported that the roof to the main hall Store had been damaged. Repairs were being arranged.

9. PAVILION MATTERS: None

10. PAVILION SITE:

- Reopening of Facilities: The Clerk reported that he had circulated requests from the Bransgore Croquet Club and Bransgore Cricket Club to be allowed to have access to the site and use the facilities on a restricted basis and in accordance with Risk Assessments and Guidance provided through their Sports Associations.

Bransgore Youth Football Club also indicated that they wished to resume training on the Recreation Ground.

BRANSGORE CROQUET CLUB: The Club had provided a full Risk Assessment and would implement a Booking System for lawn use. They would comply with the conditions imposed and ensure social distancing guidelines were met. The Guidelines provided by the Croquet Association would be implemented particularly in respect of hygiene. The Pavilion would only be used in emergencies and would be cleaned by the Group after any use including the toilets.

The Club would like to recommence on Monday, 22nd June, 2020

BRANSGORE CRICKET CLUB: The Club had also provided a Risk Assessment and guidelines for using the Cricket Training Nets on the artificial wicket. Hampshire County Cricket had also provided guidelines which the Club would follow. They would use the Pavilion only when absolutely necessary and clean any areas they used. They hoped to resume Net Practice on Monday 15th June, 2020 at the earliest.

Members felt that, following Government Guidelines, it was now appropriate to permit both Clubs to have access to the facilities provided they adhered to the Risk Assessment details provided and supervised use of the site.

RESOLVED: That both the Bransgore Croquet Club and Bransgore Cricket Club be granted access to the Pavilion site facilities subject to compliance with the details provided and any future Government guidance.

BRANSGORE YOUTH FOOTBALL: The Youth Football Club had also discussed introducing training sessions using the Recreation Ground. No indoor facilities would be required. They were in the process of producing a Risk Assessment and guidelines from Hampshire FA. Training would be on a none contact basis and for the older age groups initially and the younger players from August. The Club were reminded not to use the pitch areas for training purposes before August.

RECOMMENDED: That subject to Bransgore Youth Football Club providing an acceptable Risk Assessment and usage guidelines they be permitted to use the Recreation Ground for none contact training sessions.

11. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

- **Financial Report:** A Financial Report (Budgets) for the period ended 30th May, 2020 had been circulated prior to the meeting.

12. VILLAGE HALL/PAVILION SITE REOPENING STRATEGY:

RECOMMENDED: That the Task and Finish Group be asked to prepare a Reopening Strategy for the Village Hall/Pavilion site and related facilities as permitted by Government Guidelines. The Report to include a Review of Staffing and Contract arrangements and the approach to future service provision.

13. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION: **Mobile Pizza Van: A Member reported that a Mobile Pizza Van was operating from an area adj. The Crown Inn but needed to relocate. He asked if the Parish Council could help find an alternative site.**

RECOMMENDED: That this matter be referred to the meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Tuesday, 16th June, 2020.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, 14th July, 2020 at 7.30pm Venue to be confirmed.

The meeting concluded at 9.10 pm.

Chairman..... Date.....