

TANGMERE PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Village Centre Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on 10 August 2021 at the Village Centre, Malcolm Road, Tangmere PO20 2HS

Present:

Councillors Roger Birkett (Chairman), Andrew Irwin, Kirsten Lanchester, Simon Oakley and Trevor Ware

In attendance:

Cllr Kate Beach

Judy Simnett – Users' Group

Louise Steele – Clerk to the Council

Four members of the public (two adults and two young people from the Tangmere Youth Club)

081	AGENDA ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES There were no apologies for absence all members of the Committee being present.	
082	AGENDA ITEM 2 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. Cllr Oakley declared non pecuniary interests, in general terms, as a member of Chichester District Council and as a member of West Sussex County Council. Cllr Irwin declared an interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds his daughter works for the company that has quoted, Cllr Irwin left the room when that agenda item was discussed	
083	AGENDA ITEM 3 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION The members of the public present spoke presenting the results of on-line consultation with members of the Youth Club. The young people present were encouraged to speak and explain the wish for a light switch for the Multi Use Games Area and for a foodbank/pantry. The committee undertook to keep the young people informed about progress on these items. Cllr Beach raised the question of the muddiness underfoot of some of the benches on the Recreation Field and the Chairman undertook to look at all benches on the Recreation Field and see what could be done to address the problem.	
084	AGENDA ITEM 4 - MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2021 were approved as an accurate record and signed as such by the Chairman. A question was raised about the Village Centre charges (Minute 042 refers) and whether the Committee had agreed to the increase of the hourly rate for regular users of the main hall from £12.50 an hour to £14 an hour. A subsidiary question was raised about whether the users had been informed of the increase [<i>subsequent enquiry indicated that they had been</i>]. It was pointed out that, procedurally speaking, the Committee had agreed the increase, though doubt remained, since the increase had not been highlighted, whether Members understood that was what they had agreed to. It was agreed that this matter should be raised again when these minutes were received by Full Council.	

085	<p>AGENDA ITEM 5 – ACTION POINTS The Chairman was asked when reinforcement of the pedestrian access points to the Recreation Field through the bund would be complete. The Chairman reassured the meeting that the matter was in hand.</p>	
086	<p>AGENDA ITEM 6 – TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM</p> <p>MANAGEMENT TEAM Cllr Birkett gave a brief oral update.</p> <p>USER GROUP The minutes of the User Group meeting held on 14 July 2021 were received.</p>	
087	<p>AGENDA ITEM 7 - FINANCE Members received and approved the bank reconciliation to 31 July 2021 and considered a report of income and expenditure to the 31 July 2021. It was noted that the outstanding sum that had caused concern at the last meeting of the Committee had been paid in full.</p>	
088	<p>AGENDA ITEM 8 – REOPENING THE VILLAGE CENTRE Members considered the reopening of the centre and agreed that this Committee would not impose any restrictions (re Covid-19) on users additional to those required by law. All user groups to be advised to undertake their own risk assessments and run their activities accordingly. All advisory signage, and all hand sanitiser etc will remain in place, all mandatory signage will be removed.</p>	
089	<p>AGENDA ITEM 9 – RESURFACING THE VILLAGE CENTRE CAR PARK Members considered a proposal from a company to supervise a contract for resurfacing the Village Centre car park. Members agreed to take at least two other competitive quotes for contract supervision with a view to reaching a decision at Full Council in November.</p>	
090	<p>AGENDA ITEM 10 – OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY Cllr Oakley raised the issue of the tipping of grass cuttings at the northwest corner of the Recreation Field – there was some discussion of ways of addressing this.</p>	

Date of next meeting: 12 October 2021

Chairman:

Date: