

## **GRESFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **GENERAL AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

#### **Minutes of Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

Present: Councillors A Bailey, J Macdonald, S Cleaver, B Watson, B Blackmore, J Holmes, M LLoyd-Roberts,

Chair: Councillor J MacDonald

Clerk: S Baxter

Apologies: Councillors M J Edwards, J Dutton, G Frank-Keyes

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1. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016 were agreed as a true record.
2. The Terms of Reference for the Committee were discussed, and deferred to next meeting pending outcome of enquiries on Finance committee Terms of Reference to One Voice Wales. Overall the main purposes of the committee had been agreed previously.
3. An update was given concerning the repairs required to the Aerial runways and the cost involved. An update was given on the issue of tarmacking under the seats. It was agreed that the period be extended and the contractors be advised. The Tender opening shall as far as possible be undertaken by the Clerk and Chair of Finance and General Amenities committees. The recommended quotation shall go to Full Council for approval.
4. Gresford Lake: Councillor Dutton reported that she is in discussion with an environmentalist regarding the information that might be provided on the lectern, and is in touch with Shelleys signs also.
5. Clerk advised that a quotation had been obtained concerning the slight damage to the panel fence in front of the scout hut. This was noted. An issue was discussed concerning the litter in the bins, however it was noted that the regular man had been on leave. A concern was raised that Kingdom might be pursuing people too rigidly with fines instead of warnings. Councillor Bailey to mention to WCBC.
6. Request received for covered seating area Marford. Councillor Blackmore had been in touch with the young man requesting. It was agreed that she would ring him further and ask him to come to the meeting about youth work to explain exactly what is needed and why.
7. Lighting Matters. Councillor Bailey reported that a request had been received from a resident of Pont Y Capel Lane complaining that it was quite dark. A discussion took place and Clerk advised of costs of an additional lighting column being provided. Agreed to put it on the programme of future work and

in the meantime Councillor Bailey will discuss with WCBC whether solar lighting could be an option. Concerning other lighting matters, Councillor Hughes had looked at the light at Stancliffe Avenue and reported it is required. To be repaired as it is on a junction.

8. Youth Working Party. Following receipt of communications from WCBC, it had been decided to set up a small working party to discuss how youth provision may be progressed. It was reported that a group comprising Councillors Blackmore, Hughes, Watson Jones, and Lloyd-Roberts, to meet the following week and bring recommendations back to next meeting.
9. Financial matters- A discussion took place around the budget requirements for General Amenities and lighting, for the forthcoming financial year 2017-18, and for the subsequent 2 years.
10. Future meeting dates: The next meeting of the General Amenities Committee will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017, at 6pm at Gresford Methodist Church Hall.