Whitchurch on Thames Village Green Committee



Minutes of Meeting Monday 21st January 2013 Village Hall 8pm

Present: Councillor Lindsay Austin, Cllr K. Brooks, Maureen Stovell, Stephen Rogers, David Mattimoe, Jenny Welham (Parish Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Steve Rogers arriving late. No other apologies.

2. Approve minutes of Meeting 19th November 2013

Approved.

3. Sponsorship response from Flyer – update.

The Clerk advised that response had been good and so far a total of £1038 had been received, a lot of people wished to sponsor trees. Two residents wanted to sponsor a bench, one is to be a memorial for the late husband.

4. Car Park & Planting - update

The planting day on 12th January proved to be successful with approximately 18 volunteers turning up. All the mixed hedge plants were planted and most of the trees.

The Holly hedge is left to plant another planting day will be advertised as soon as the weather is suitable.

The new fencing and gate is the next job to be undertaken which should be done in the next 3 weeks weather permitting. There will be a lockable bollard at the entrance to the car park and main users such as the School, Cricket Club, Football club etc will all have a key to the bollard. Last remaining job will be to install the 3 strips of post and rail along the wire fence to the horse field so people can climb over to retrieve balls. This work to be considered in March.

5. Grant applications – update.

Lindsay advised that Alistair was apply for a g5rant to help fund the goal posts for the football pitch. David suggested that 3 sockets be made so that during the summer months the goal posts could be moved to allow the goal mouths grass to repair, all agreed this was a good idea.

Lindsay will investigate the new Sport England grant that is out. David has some plans for a replacement Pavilion, which he will bring to the next meeting so enquiries can be made to various suppliers to ascertain an idea of costs for when the next SODC grants come round in 2014. The 2 years will have elapsed by then so the VG will be eligible to apply, however match funding will need to be raised elsewhere so a projection of cost is required.

6. Website

Maureen asked if there will be a proper booking process, Lindsay advised that the website will have a booking form and a calendar so people can check the dates they require and see if already booked. The Cricket Club fixtures will all be listed on the calendar. The Clerk will manage the booking process.

Hire costs need to be decided, David will ask the CC what they wish to charge for the tea hut etc and report at the next meeting.

A figure of £30 to hire the football pitch was suggested, to be confirmed.

The Clerk asked if the names of the sponsors could be posted on the VG page of the website with a thank you, all agreed.

7.	Matters	arising	not on	the A	Agenda	•

None.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

8. Date of next meeting Monday 18th March 2013

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