

Minutes of the of **Cainscross Town Council's Recreation Committee Meeting** held on Tuesday 11 March commencing at 10:00am at The Pavilion in the Park, Victory Park.

Present: Councillors: D Balster
D Dale
G Lindsay
L Stinchcombe
C White

In Attendance: J Marshall – Clerk
E Forgione – Assistant Clerk

Apologies: None

- REC112/25** To receive apologies
No apologies were received
- REC113/25** To receive any declarations of interest
None
- REC114/25** To receive any representations or questions from members of the public
None present
- REC115/25** To consider purchasing a new play panel for Victory Park Play Area following last year's vandalism
The Clerk informed members that the young people involved in the vandalism have been ordered to pay £500 towards the cost of the replacing the play panel. This is a shortfall of £300 from the total cost of £800. Members felt this is a good result and resolved to order the play panel.
- REC116/25** To consider the allotment rents for each site
Members discussed the Ebley and Cainscross rents and noted there is another year in the present agreement so these will be discussed next year. It was resolved to hold the price for Cashes Green Allotment site for a further year. The Council acknowledge that costs are escalating and when discussing future pricing, this should be considered. It was also noted that the Council have recently given Cashes Green Allotments a grant and agreed to carry out any mowing for the coming year to help save costs.
- REC117/25** To discuss the car park surface at Ebley Allotments
Members agreed to move this to the next Recreation meeting for further discussion.
- REC118/25** To reconsider the planting areas for the new tree whips
Due to the tree whips being very small and the potential for damage, members resolved to plant them at Victory Park in the open space between the houses and the play area.
- REC119/25** To agree the purchase of 20 bags of pea gravel and 10 of postcrete for gravel grids in front of benches in the open spaces
It was resolved to purchase the pea gravel and postcrete.

- REC120/25** To agree the purchase of grass seed for the pump track area and retrospectively approve the additional costs of the turf and topsoil
It was resolved to purchase the grass seed to use in all open spaces and the retrospective turf costs were approved.
- REC121/25** To consider raising the hall hire charges in line with similar local facilities
The Assistant Clerk carried out research on prices in other local halls and it was noted that there had been no price increase since the hall was built in 2019. It was therefore resolved to increase the hire charges as follows:
Non-Profit and Charities - £10 increased to £12.50 per hour
Private Parties - £12.50 increased to £15.00 per hour
Commercial - £20 increased to £25 per hour
- REC122/25** To receive the Project Officers report
It was acknowledged that the Project Officer has kept members informed by email but she requested that flowers should be ordered for two members of the public who had helped with drone footage and sign design. It was agreed to send flowers. She also requested that containers would need to be purchased to house the limestone left over from the pump track build for maintenance. Councillor Dale feels he has some suitable containers and will discuss with the Project Officer.
- REC123/25** To note the date and time of the next meeting of the committee
The date of the next committee meeting is 8th of April at 10am

Signed

Dated

Actions

<u>REC115/25</u>	Purchase new play panel	Clerk
<u>REC117/25</u>	Research Ebley Allotment car park and add to next agenda	Clek
<u>REC118/25</u>	Plant whips	Grounds staff
<u>REC119/25</u>	Purchase peagravel and postcrete	Clerk
<u>REC120/25</u>	Purchase grass seed	Clerk
<u>REC121/25</u>	Send out letter to hall hire and change prices on Lemon	Assistant Clerk
<u>REC122/25</u>	Order flowers for volunteers	Clerk/Project Officer