

COOKHAM PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of an Inquorate Meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
Held in the Community Room on Tuesday 21st February 2023, commencing at 7.40pm**

PRESENT: Cllr C. Doyle (Chairman)
Cllrs C. Aisladie and I. Wernham.

Also Present: There were no of public were present.
There were no members of the press present.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Clerk made the attendees aware that this meeting of the General Purposes Committee was not quorate, 5 Committee members are required. The meeting continued with discussions, but no decisions could be made.

OPEN FORUM:

There were no representations.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies received from Cllrs E. Bune, M. Howard, J. Perry, B. Perry, H. Philip and L. Tull. Cllrs M. Brar and I. Herd did not attend.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None

3. TO REVIEW QUOTATIONS FOR NEW FENCING AROUND THE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA AND APPROVE A SUITABLE CONTRACTOR AND SPEND:

As the meeting was inquorate, this matter will be referred to Full Council on 7th March 2023.

4. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PROPOSAL TO PAINT ARTWORK ON THE SKATE RAMP SIDE WALL AND CONSIDER ANY NEXT STEPS:

Cllr C. Doyle is in contact with the Head of Art and Design at Furze Platt Senior School pending confirmation of a meeting date. Cllr Doyle noted that she has contacted Cllr L. Tull, who previously showed an interest in the project, and is awaiting a response.

5. TO APPROVE A QUOTE FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT, AS DISCUSSED AT THE DECEMBER 2022 GENERAL PURPOSES CMTE MEETING:

As the meeting was inquorate, this matter will be referred to Full Council on 7th March 2023.

6. TO REVIEW THE DECISION TO ADD TWO NEW PLOTS AT THE ALFRED MAJOR ALLOTMENT SITE AND DECIDE IF THIS WILL GO AHEAD IN LIGHT OF A LOW WAITING LIST:

As the meeting was inquorate, this matter will be dealt with at the next General Purpose meeting on 18th April 2023.

7. TO APPROVE A RESPONSE TO THE RBWM PARISH COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY MILESTONES STATEMENT 2023-24:

As the meeting was inquorate, this matter will be referred to Full Council on 7th March 2023.

8. TO DISCUSS THE DEAN LANE TELEPHONE BOX AND/OR APPROVE THE OFFER TO PURCHASE THE BOX:

The Clerk was asked to check if the offer to purchase the Telephone box was still an option. If it is, then this matter will be referred to Full Council on 7th March 2023.

9. **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE WILDFLOWER PROJECT ON THE ALFRED MAJOR RECREATION GROUND FROM CLLR C. AISLADIE:**

Cllr C Aisladie gave a brief update. The plots are monitored regularly and advice is sought from WildCookham where necessary. A sign for the new patch is being developed with WildCookham. Cllr Aisladie will update the committee as and when there is further news.

Previously there had been a suggestion that a small area of the Alfred Major Recreation Ground could be left uncut during 'No mow May'. This will be added to the next General Purposes Cmte agenda in April for further discussion.

10. **TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE UPDATES FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES ACTIONS LIST:**

A review of the General Purposes Action list was made, further updates include:

- PCSO for Cookham, Cllr Wernham suggested contacting Marlow TC as they have been through this process.
- Cemetery works – Kerbs around shrub bed and benches are being scheduled in.
- Wildflower sign for HWWR being created by WildCookham.
- Signage – a comprehensive list is needed as there are a growing number of signs needed on Parish Council assets.

11. **CHAIRMAN'S SUBMISSIONS:**

The Chairman noted her disappointment that the meeting was only attended by three members.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm