

Minutes of the **Leisure & Recreation Committee** held on Monday **24th February 2014** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Committee Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, W Elsome, M Caley, J England, T Foster, Mrs G Sherwood and P Wright; Non-committee councillors A Clark & J Mckellar Main; and the Clerk.

137. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors J Mountain and Mrs B Todd.

138. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None received.

139. M.U.G.A. PROJECT

Quotations received from Wicksteeds for £59,999 excluding floodlights; and Parkdale Play Ltd for £70,000 including floodlights (£13,905). A quotation was also received from Trent Valley Electrical for floodlights and electrical installation for £13,699. It was agreed to accept the lowest quotation from Parkdale Play subject to checking existing reference sites.

It was suggested that the electrical contractor for Parkdale Play be asked to liaise with Northern Powergrid to establish the mains electric supply.

The Clerk suggested that a Project Manager is needed to oversee the installation. Councillors McKellar-Main and Wright offered to help where possible. It was also suggested that local residents Chris Ramsbottom, Billy Green and Simon Seal may be willing to offer advice and guidance with the project.

It was agreed that the contractor be asked to supply a site plan and specification for the planning application.

The £50,000 grant from NLC was confirmed and it was agreed to place the issue of the amount required for a Public Works Loan on the agenda of the next Parish Council meeting.

140. HOLME MEADOW

- a) The Clerk advised that the dead/diseased trees are scheduled to be removed on Friday 28th February.
- b) The water supply inspection on behalf of Anglian Water was carried out on 24th February with no issues reported.
- c) The changing room door in the changing facility has been replaced by the handyman at an approximate cost of £60. It was suggested that this behaviour by the visiting team was unacceptable and that the Lincs FA should be notified but it was thought that MJFC should be the ones to make the complaint.
- d) It was noted that the drainage is working satisfactorily. Councillor England commented that the drainage trench still requires grass seeding and levelling.

141. PLAYING FIELD EXTENSION

- a) Councillor Elsome advised that the debris from the rear of the play area and now been removed.
- b) It was noted that there rabbits are coming in from the churchyard again. Agreed to contact Richard Benson to have them dealt with.

142. PLAY AREA

- a) Noted that there are painting jobs to be done on the equipment and seats when the weather improves.
- b) Reported that the grass needs cutting – handyman to be advised.

143. OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman advised that vigilance is needed in keeping gates to all open areas locked as there has been 'traveller' issues in the area.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 8.15pm.