



St Andrews Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Play Area Committee Meeting
held on Tuesday 25th May 2021 at 2:00pm
at Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Avenue, Swindon

Councillors Present: Jean Blake, Mary Friend, Steve Heyes (Chairman) and Vera Tomlinson
Officer Present: Luke Jones (Grounds Manager), Emma Sylvester (Clerk)
Public Present: None

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Daniel Adams

3 ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED to elect Cllr Jean Blake as Vice- Chairman to the Play Area Committee

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5 MINUTES

RESOLVED

To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 2nd March 2021.

6 PUBLIC RECESS

No public present

7 PLAY AREAS

(i) It was noted that the annual external play inspections have been completed and members discussed faults.

RESOLVED

To close the adult equipment at Eastbury Way following decision at Full Council by fencing off the area with a budget of £1000.

To complete medium repairs at a cost of £500

To not make any repairs to Delius and Addinsell play areas until further information had been received from Swindon Borough Council.

To discuss low risk issues when individual quotations had been received.

(ii) Members noted that cctv had been installed at Brook Park and discussed additional signage.

RESOLVED

To purchase 8 signs at a cost of £250.00 from Swindon Borough Council

(iii) The Grounds Maintenance Manager reported that installation of the inclusive roundabout at Brook Park was scheduled for 17th June subject to permission from Swindon Borough Council.

(iv) The Chairman reported that he was talking to association with possible funding to improve MUGA at Highdown and Wallis play areas.

(v) Members received document from Mums on a Mission (MOAM) on inclusive play equipment.

17 LEASES

The Clerk reported that the hold up on progressing with the Play Area leases is due to Swindon Borough Council (SBC) and the parish council's solicitor is waiting for SBC's solicitor.

RESOLVED

For Cllr Steve Heyes, as Borough Councillor, to liaise with SBC and raise the issues with Delius and Addinsell.

18 WALLIS DRIVE PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT

- (i) It was noted that Full Council have earmarked funds totalling £41,959.27 for the refurbishment of Wallis Drive and an additional £8000 still to be received from SBC.
- (ii) Members received documents used for Highdown Way refurbishment and discussed ideas of improvements to Wallis Drive. Members agreed to state in the brief that the MUGA needs replacing and inclusive play equipment such as basket swing, roundabout and slide.

RESOLVED

To recommend to Full Council that brief is approved and the parish council sends out Request for Quotation documents.

- (iii) Members discussed installation of cctv at Wallis Drive play area following recommendation from police officers. It was agreed that once the trees had been removed from site prices would be obtained for cctv.
- (iv) The Grounds Maintenance Manager reported prices for removing the bench and replacing with a sleeper bench. It was agreed to wait until after the refurbishment of the play area.

19 HIGHDOWN WAY PLAY AREA

Members discussed improvements to Highdown Way MUGA to spend remaining of £1594.58 but no decisions were made. It was agreed to continue discussions at the next meeting.

20 DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED to change the date of the September meeting to Tuesday 21st September 2021

The meeting closed at 3:24pm

Chairman _____

Date _____