BURNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities Committee held on 22nd October 2024 at 6:30pm in Burnham Park Hall.

Committee members present:

Cllr Ekta Kaur Ross

Cllr John Carey

Cllr Lindsey Chatralia Cllr Carol Linton Cllr Paul Bunce

Cllr Pat Bird

Cllr Graham Mummery

Cllr Marie Hammon

Cllr Judith Foster

Cllr Terence Gamble

Officers of the Council:

Laiba Malik (Assistant Parish Clerk) Rupinder Gaidhu (Finance Manager)

Members of the public:

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RA2425/33 Apologies for Absence

All members were present. Apologies were received from the Clerk due to annual leave.

RA2425/34 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hammon declared an interest in item 12: Project 57, as she lives close to the site.

RA2425/35 Public Forum

A member of the public raised concerns about the parking charges at George Pitcher Memorial Ground. He requested acknowledgment of his email which was sent to the Clerk regarding these issues. It was confirmed that the Clerk has responded to all of the residents previous emails, and would respond to any additional email on their return from leave. The committee recognised the resident's concerns and, and further noted that the interim review of the parking charges has been set for the next committee meeting on 26th November.

The proposer of the padel court attended the meeting to present the project, highlighting the benefits and potential impact on the community. He outlined how the court could enhance local recreational opportunities and increase community engagement. Committee members asked questions regarding location, funding, and maintenance, all of which was addressed by the proposer.

RA2425/36 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting of 10th September 2024

RA2425/37 Finance & Budget

- It was RESOLVED to approve the accounts and budget monitoring report for the second quarter of 2024-25.
- The latest draft budget for the committee for 2025-26 was RECOMMENDED to the Policy & Resources Committee and Full Council.

RA2425/39 Senior Groundsman's Report

This item was deferred.

RA2425/40 Street Furniture and Public Conveniences

The verbal report was **NOTED**. It was further **NOTED** that the memorial bench in honour of late Cllr Perry Davis has arrived and is scheduled for installation in the coming days.

It was reported that several streetlights are currently not functioning, and details were taken by the Assistant Clerk.

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RA2425/41 Policies

- a. It was **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council to reapprove the Park Hire Policy with an extension of the policy to include the George Pitcher Memorial Ground.
- b. It was **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council to reapprove the Dog Control Policy, with an extension of the policy to further address dog control within the cemetery area.

It was **RESOLVED**

- to request a discussion with the Church regarding a joint approach to placing signage in prominent position across the churchyards, to prevent it from being removed;
- ii. to publish a notice be published on the council's social media pages to inform the public about the signs.
- c. It was RESOLVED to review the Tree Management Policy after the Tree Survey is conducted.

RA2425/42 Sustainability, ecology and climate emergency

The list of recommended actions was **NOTED**. It was confirmed that any further ideas should be sent to the Clerk or Assistant Clerk for consideration.

Cllr Gamble reported that the recent litter pick event was successful and thanked the Assistant Clerk for her support. It was suggested that future litter pick events should have additional advertising to encourage participation from various community groups.

RA2425/43 Healthy Walks around Burnham

A verbal update was given by Cllr Ross which was NOTED.

RA2425/44 Flower border proposal on village green

A verbal update was given by Cllr Chatralia which was NOTED.

RA2425/45 Project 57

A verbal update was given by Cllr Carey and the Assistant Clark which was NOTED

It was **RESOLVED** to consider the matter further when a full report is available.

RA2425/46 Padel Court

The written report was NOTED.

It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the padel court proposal in principle at the George Pitcher Memorial Ground, subject to working up a full application, and directing the Clerk to work further with the proposer to produce this.

RA2425/47 The pond at Lent Rise

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk continue negotiations with Buckinghamshire Council regarding the pond.

RA2424/48 Correspondence

The responses from McDonald's regarding litter (minute RA2425/24 refers) were NOTED.

The meeting ended at 8:30pm

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 26th November 2024

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