



FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7th November 2019 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room at The Old School House, Main Road, Danbury

Present: Cllr G Chapman (Chairman), Cllr Mrs M Hessing (vice Chairman),
Cllr S Berlyn (ex officio), Cllr Mrs A Chapman (ex officio),
Cllr Mrs Anstee, Cllr D Chesterman, Cllr J Thombs

In Attendance: Ms M Harper, Clerk
Mrs M Dyer, Assistant Clerk, Facilities
One Member of the Public

19/20.53 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Keeler and Cllr Sutton.

19/20.54 Declarations of Interest

All Members are reminded that they must disclose any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests they know they may have in items of business on the meeting's agenda and that they must do so at this point, or as soon as they become aware of the interest. They are reminded that they will need to repeat their declaration at the appropriate point in the meeting and leave the room if the interest is a pecuniary one. They are also obliged to notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the meeting if they have not previously notified the Monitoring Officer about it. Unforeseen interests must be declared similarly at the appropriate time. Members have dispensation to discuss and vote in respect of matters relating to the DCA.

There were no declarations at this point.

19/20.55 Public Question Time (Limited to 15 minutes)

The Member of Public present was a Member of Danbury Cricket Club (DCC). He spoke about DCC and cricket as a sport and thanked Danbury Parish Council for its support and help in turning around the issues with storage of the DCC's roller. He praised the new groundsman appointed to prepare cricket wicket this season and the difference this had made; the improvement had been commented upon by opposing teams. When questioned about grants available to Cricket Clubs, he advised that the grants available were mainly for clubs which have their own grounds. He also spoke about the fact that the DCC would now be able to play 20/20 games next season at Danbury. He advised Members that the team welcomes members from age 12 years and upwards, but members are currently mainly aged 20 years plus.

19/20.56 Minutes of Facilities Committee Meeting held on 11th September 2019

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Meeting held on 11th September 2019 be approved and duly signed as a correct record.

19/20.57 Budget 2020-21

Members discussed at great length the budget proposal to be put forward to the Resources Committee for recommendation to full council for 2020-21. Whilst the Members were to agree the budget proposal as a whole to go forward to Resources Committee, there were two items where a decision was required to be voted on:

Cricket Rent re 20/20 Games: Cllr Mrs Chapman proposed that the fee per game be set at £38.50, Cllr Berlyn seconded the proposal; six Members voted for the proposal, one Member voted against the proposal.

RESOLVED: that the fee per 20/20 cricket game be set at £38.50

The Old Pavilion Refurbishment Works: Cllr Thombs proposed that £1,500 be put into 2020/21 ear marked reserves for this project; Cllr Mrs Chapman seconded the proposal, all Members were in agreement.

RESOLVED: that £1,500 be put into 2020/21 ear marked reserves for The Old Pavilion Refurbishment Project.

Budget 2020-21: Cllr Chesterman proposed that the budget proposal as discussed and agreed be put forward to the Resources Committee for recommendation to full Council for 2020-21; Cllr Mrs Hessing seconded the proposal, six Members supported the proposal, one Member abstained.

RESOLVED: that the budget proposal as discussed and agreed be put forward to the Resources Committee for recommendation to full Council for 2020-21.

19/20.58 Matters for Report and Information only

Matters may be raised by Councillors and requested to be itemised on the next meeting agenda

Cllr Chesterman requested that Cricket in Danbury be included on the next Facilities agenda

19/20.59 Date and Time of next meeting

Wednesday 13th November at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10.10pm

Chairman

Signed Date