

Longmead Management Group

Minutes of Meeting Monday 19th June 2017 at Longmead Pavilion

Agenda Item	Action Required
<p>1. Welcome and Apologies: Present: Ian McCulloch (Chair), Heather Stallard, Paul Doble, Julie Steed, Karen Pinder, Nick Thompson, Jocelyn Pritchard</p> <p>Apologies: David Major, Neil Thompson, Michael Gay.</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of 27th February 2017 meeting and matters arising: Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <p><i>Weeds:</i> The growth of brambles and weeds continues to be a problem particularly along the road. It was agreed that Roger Beaver should be contacted to help with the maintenance of the area.</p> <p><i>BMX Track:</i> HPC are currently making enquiries into the sustainability of the track. Consultation with the track designer is ongoing.</p> <p><i>MUGA fencing:</i> Nothing has been done since the last meeting. IMC to follow up. It was agreed to promote the hiring of the MUGA by putting a sign up on each gate giving details of costs and contact details.</p> <p><i>Section 106 monies:</i> Finance has been accessed to employ Tom Jones Groundcare to carry out drainage work. Work has now started.</p> <p><i>Machinery:</i> The orange Kubota mower has been repaired at a cost of £1100 and is working well. IMC was concerned at the rust build up on the mower whilst stored wet in the container.</p> <p><i>Air Ambulance:</i> Longmead has been identified as a suitable location for night landings. Planning permission is now being sought for the lighting posts. HPC have agreed to underwrite it.</p>	<p>JP to promote meetings in the Pump. Minutes to be placed on the Hemyock Longmead web site.</p> <p>HS to contact Roger</p> <p>HPC to update at next meeting</p> <p>KP to produce text. HS to contact Ken White Signs for costs.</p> <p>JP to update at next meeting</p>
<p>3. Election of Chair, Secretary and Committee</p> <p>Ian McCulloch was re-elected as Chair. Jocelyn Pritchard was elected secretary. Karen Pinder, Julie Steed, Heather Stallard, Paul Doble, Nick Thompson, David Major, Neil Thompson were elected Committee members for the forthcoming year. Phil Bell is elected to the Committee as Senior Football representative.</p>	
<p>4. Finance As DM AGM report. IMC thanked David Major for the work he does throughout the</p>	

<p>year maintaining Longmead's financial records.</p>	
<p>5. Pavilion and sports facilities</p> <p>Lights: External lights on two walls of the building have been vandalised. Placing grills over the lights was suggested to reduce further breakages. PB reported on a flashing light in the shower area.</p> <p>Pitch Cutting: The youth football club questioned the possibility of organising a contract for the grass cutting. Currently cutting the pitches and line marking falls on a small number of coaches and parents in their own time. Suggestions were made by the club that a reduction in annual fees would enable a payment to be made in recognition of the time given or the Management Group funded a contractor to carry out the work. IMC will raise the issue with DM.</p> <p>IMC reported the field was in a good condition at the moment. The car park will be closed Wednesday 21st June to enable drainage work to continue. PB informed the group the first friendly match is being held on 26th July. IMC confirmed the pitches would be ready by then.</p> <p>The challenges of disposing of grass cuttings and vegetation was discussed. The finishing mower cuts the pitch without grass collection. Although faster, the gang mowers are currently under repair. They have had special parts made locally that need to be replaced and the cutting cylinders will require regular sharpening especially when the molehills are not levelled before cutting.</p> <p>MUGA: The group discussed how to increase the use of the MUGA. It was suggested an advert could be placed in <i>A View From The Blackdowns</i>. JS said they may be able to use it on the occasions when more people were playing tennis. JS also suggested a 'hitting wall'</p> <p>JS reported the Tennis Club were looking to 2018 to resurface the pitches at an expected cost of £25 – 30K. JS to contact Donna regarding availability of TAP Money.</p>	<p>IMC to contact HPC Clerk to inform police</p> <p>IMC to contact electrician</p> <p>IMC to contact mole catcher IMC would replace the gang mower parts in due course</p> <p>JS to investigate installing a hitting wall and report back at the next meeting</p>
<p>6. Longmead Environmental Active Project (LEAP)</p> <p>NT and Ian Humphries spent 2 days maintaining the site including the removal of barbed wire.</p> <p>NT expressed concern over the state of the millennium trees several of which had died. HS asked how many were still alive NT said he would count them and report back. NT plans to trim around the trees and remove unsightly stones. The wood requires new notice boards. NT has contacted a supplier in Glastonbury who will produce a board with metal legs for approximately £520. The Management Group would produce the text and erect the board. IH will be back in the autumn to continue work around the pond and stream.</p>	<p>NT to request a written quote and send to DM</p>

<p>NT to meet with Neil Parish MP to discuss environmental issues and their place in the school curriculum.</p>	<p>NT to report back at the next meeting</p>
<p>7. AOB: Pruning Day: A date was set for Sunday 29th October 2017.</p> <p>Longmead 10 Year Celebration! Saturday 4th November 2017 was identified as a date to celebrate this auspicious occasion and to showcase the activities and achievements over the years. Planning the event will be an agenda item at the next meeting.</p> <p>The notice board at the entrance of Longmead has fallen over. Roy Calcroft to replace. Metaposts were considered if appropriate: Roy Calcroft to erect and bill DM.</p> <p>Club representatives and committee members expressed their thanks to Ian for all he does for Longmead.</p>	<p>JP to advertise in the Pump</p> <p>JP to advertise in the Pump</p>
<p>7. Date of next meeting: Monday 11th September 2017 19.00hrs</p>	