



Long Stratton Town Council

Pavilion, Manor Road, Long Stratton, NR15 2XR

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MINUTES OF THE LEISURE AND PAVILION MEETING HELD ON 10TH OCTOBER 2022 AT 11am AT MANOR ROAD PAVILION AND PLAYING FIELDS.

In Attendance: Councillors Baker, Woodham & Mackenzie

Emma Blizard, Administrative Assistant & Tom Thompson, Direct Services Officer

1. To consider apologies for absence

Apologies of absence was received from Councillor Pochin due to work commitments, these were noted by the Committee.

2. To receive disclosures of interest and dispensations

There were no disclosures of interest or dispensation received.

3. To inspect the playing field and discuss and decide on any courses of action if required

The committee inspected the playing field and play area at length and made the following observations.

a. Items round the back of the pavilion

- Wooden pallets to be kept
- Old wood – to be recycled at the local recycling centre
- Tennis nets to be kept for the MUGA. Any extra nets could be sold.
- Metal benches – chase up the blasting and powder coating as agreed at the last meeting
- 2 plastic benches – keep for playground area to add extra seating for parents
- Playground sign – waiting to be erected by playground fitter

b. Items round the back of the container

- Tyres – from the fitness class, so will keep for a while in case return for them
- Rotting wood – to be recycled at the local recycling centre

c. Hiring a skip

- Decided against a skip as would prefer most items to be recycled where possible. Items to be taken to the Hempnall recycling centre

d. Placing a fence around the containers

- As children are always climbing the fencing it seems a bad idea to add more fencing. Instead, it is recommended that we apply some anti-vandal paint to the top and roof edge of the container, as well as putting up warning signs.

e. Any other items.

- Could we add a small plaque to the apple tree that was donated by a local member of the community
- The football goals for Long Stratton Football Club are not being chained up

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- New tree guards are being put up to protect the tree saplings from damage
- Environmental area has been cut back and tidied
 - Is it possible to get some bird houses and feeders put up?
- BMX area
 - should the fence/gates be put back up?
 - Should chain up the free-swinging gate so that it doesn't cause damage
- Fencing around the edge of the field near the skatepark is loose and the poles can be removed (has been reported by member of the public that this has been done already) – must be reported to Long Stratton Football Club
- Skatepark gate (in the corner) needs repair and closing rubbers
- Are we getting a Jubilee commemorative bench alongside the VE day bench

4. To sign the minutes from the previous meeting held on 26th April 2022 as a true record

The minutes of the meetings held 26th April 2022 were approved by the committee and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

5. To discuss and decide on piece of play equipment to be installed first.

There was no information available as to what equipment was available to choose from and what budget was available.

Can this information be provided to the committee

6. To discuss and decide on a youth shelter

a. Style

- Styles and costs to be investigated and provided at the next meeting
- Can we have noticeboards in the shelter advertising contact details for the police, shelter and mental health needs teams.

b. Placement

- Alongside the MUGA facing the pitches, so multi-use for football spectators but no coverage of CCTV
- Alongside the MUGA facing the Pavilion with limited coverage of CCTV. Made need another camera to cover the youth shelter

7. To discuss and decide on getting the skatepark graffitied to prevent vandalism

With budget constraints this year it was decided that it was not a viable option.

There was also concern that if we tried to involve the local children in the design and delivery of a graffiti design it may encourage graffiti elsewhere in the community

8. To discuss and decide on allowing satellite SNDC officer using the Council office as a base.

It was agreed that the office should not be used by other workers as a base as it is not large enough to cater for additional workers during open hours and Councillors would not be happy allowing others to work in the Office when not secured by an LSTC employee.

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The community room can be booked as standard and used if required.

9. AOB (for discussion only)

- Can we have signs put up on the lampposts at the junctions of Manor Road / Swan Lane and Flowerpot Lane / Swan Lane to indicate the location of the playing fields
- Check the size of the sign planned by the football club as it appears it may be larger than agreed. The current sign sizes are: LSTC – 200 x 80mm, Bowls Club 200 x 50mm

With there being no further business, the meeting was closed at 12:20pm

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