

Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council

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Minutes of the ASSET Committee Meeting held on Monday 13 January 2020 at 7.00 pm at 2 Knowle Park Lane, Fair Oak

P = present, Ab = absent, Ap = apologies

Committee:

Ab Cllr Abbott P Cllr Forfar

P Cllr Anderson P Cllr Scott (Chairman)

Ap Cllr Bird (Vice Chairman) P Cllr Spearey
P Cllr Douglas Ab Cllr Warrillow

Officers in Attendance:

Ms M Stephens, Clerk, Mrs L Greenslade, Deputy Clerk & Mr M Johnson, Operations Manager

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Douglas in Minute No. 31 and Cllr Forfar in Minute number 35.

29 MINUTES (PAPER A)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Asset Committee meeting held on 11 November 2019 (approved by the Full Council on 18 November 2019), be noted.

30 PROPERTY MATTERS

Members received a presentation on current status for all parish properties and public open space attached as Appendix 1 to these minutes.

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

31 PEMBERS HILL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

Cllr Douglas declared a disclosable pecuniary interest on the grounds that the application site was close to her home and could have an effect. She did not participate in the discussion and did not vote.

At the request of Eastleigh Borough Council, the Clerk tabled a proposed landscape plan covering the public open space (POS) to the East of the development and the proposed central area with LEAP.

In discussing the proposed plans for the POS, members felt that they were unable to pass formal comment because of the lack of detail on the map.

As the Council had a number of new members, who were not as familiar with the development and the plans for the POS, the Asset Committee requested that Drew Smith/EBC attend a Parish Council meeting to go through the landscape plans. And that these plans be far more user friendly, colour coded, with keys and more detail provided – e.g. materials for pathways, bench & bin locations etc.

Once this information was provided, members would be better able to provide formal comment.

32 MEADOWSWEET WAY PLAY AREA (REPORT B)

Members considered the interim results of the public consultation as set out in the above report.

The public consultation, which would remain open until the end of January, had so far, received 47 responses. Initial analysis of these responses showed that a large majority of residents would like a woodland themed play area, with natural play equipment. In addition, residents would like to see landscaping, and planting in the public open space on the site.

Members briefly discussed the funding of the play area, and requested that the Clerk update them, should any progress be made with the Pocket Parks Grant, without which, the Council would have to source top-up funding to complete the play area project.

A full options report would be submitted to the April Committee following close of the community consultation.

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted.

33 COMMUNITY CAFÉ TASK & FINISH GROUP

The Clerk gave a verbal report of progress on the work of the Group. The Group had met on two occasions and were in the process of considering options for the relocation and expansion of the Café, preferably in the centre of the village.

A full presentation from the Café and a report with findings and recommendations would be submitted to February Council.

34 COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

The Clerk tabled a suggested national awareness days and events calendar for the year (attached as Appendix 2).

The calendar would be used to raise the Council's social media profiles, by suggested facebook posts recognising relevant national awareness days. It also suggested small scale activities that the Council could undertake (such as litter picks during the Great British Spring Clean) during these days.

RESOLVED:

That the Calendar as set out in Appendix 2 be approved.

35 KNOWLE PARK SKATEPARK SHELTER

Cllr Forfar disclosed a non-pecuniary interest as a resident of Knowle Park Lane. She concluded that there were no issues under common law that prevented her from remaining in the meeting to speak and to vote.

The Clerk had been made aware from reports of local residents, that anti-social behaviour continued to take place at the skate park shelter including noise late at night, possible drug taking and often resulting in broken glass being found by the skate park shelter the next day.

Members were concerned to hear that residents were subject to anti-social behaviour but were reluctant to permanently remove the shelter from the site. As a compromise position, members suggested that the shelter, be relocated to another part of the park.

As member wished to resolve this matter swiftly, they requested that the Operations Manager present options for alternative locations for the shelter, for consideration at the 20 January Planning Committee. Members would review the effectiveness of the new location of the shelter at the April Committee meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the skate park shelter be relocated to another area in Knowle Park, with the Operations Manager presenting options for alternative locations for the shelter, for consideration at the 20 January Planning Committee.

36 WORK PROGRAMME (REPORT C)

Members considered the Committee's work programme and made changes as necessary.

RESOLVED

That the Report be noted.

Signed	Chairman
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