



## Minutes of the Meeting of Rackheath Parks and Leisure Committee

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7.00pm

Via Zoom Video Conference

**Present:** Tracy Buckley (Chair); Paula Lowe; Stephen Oakley; Sally Hoare, Broadland District Council

**Also in attendance:** Anne Tandy, Parish Clerk and RFO

57. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies.

58. There were no declarations of interest or dispensations in items on the agenda.

59. The meeting was not adjourned for public participation as no public were in attendance.

60. The Committee received the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021. These were **approved** as an accurate record. These will be available for signing by the Chair once it is appropriate to meet to do so.

**61. The Committee heard of progress with remedial work approved for The Pavilion at Stracey Sports Park**

- a) The new gate is being installed this week, for the green area at the back of the function room.

**62. Consideration given to the section 106 funds for the Lovell Development, Green Lane East**

- a) Lovell Homes have released the funds allocated for s.106 for the Green Lane East site.

The allocation is as follows:

Play	£50,337.41
Sport	£248,839.73
Allotments	£11,333.58

The Business Plan drawn up for extension and improvements at Rackheath Pavilion and Stracey Sports park, outlines a 2-phase programme of upgrades. The second phase can now commence which includes installing play equipment, outside gym equipment and refurbishment of the Multi-Purpose Sports Area.

The Clerk is to undertake research into the costings for the work specified in phase 2 as outlined in the Business Plan and report the findings back to the Committee.

Verification to be obtained as to what play provision is needed on the Lovells development site.

Rackheath doesn't currently have any allotments so identifying suitable land will be the first requirement. The Clerk to look into this and report back findings. It will also be prudent to ascertain what interest there is from residents for such a provision. The Committee are conscious that it will need an appropriate pricing structure and a clear terms of hire agreement to ensure it is managed and funded appropriately.

### **63. Discussion took place as to the matters associated with Jubilee Park**

- a) The premises licence fee is outstanding for 2020. BDC have agreed to suspend the licence but the fee will remain on file and if it is reactivated in the future, the outstanding fee will be added to the new application. Committee believe it was agreed in 2019 not to renew again, the Clerk is to check back through the Minutes. It was **agreed by all** to suspend the Licence at this time.
- b) The cleaning of play equipment at Jubilee Park has been offered by a local resident who has access to a suitable jet washer. The Committee were pleased to take up this offer as a good place to start with improving the appearance of the equipment. **All agreed.**
- c) The ongoing issue of dog mess in Jubilee Park was considered and Committee felt that it had reached a point now, that if the problem persists it may be necessary to consider not allowing dogs to be off lead in the Park. The situation will be monitored for the next month and considered at the next meeting.

### **64. The Committee heard an update on progress with adopting Newman Road Woods**

- a) A dog waste bin has been installed in the car park, which services Newman Road woods. This should help to reduce the amount of dog waste in the woods and along the NDR footway/cycleway as residents pass through the woods to gain access.
- b) The tree work should commence soon and once completed, the transfer process will begin.

Meeting ended at 20.03