

## MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 10am Remote meeting conducted on-line via Zoom

Present: Cllrs P Hyde (Chair) J Johnson, N Orders, L King, J Richardson and R Ringham

In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk)

## **MINUTES**

20/212 Apologies for absence - None
20/213 Declaration of interests for items on the agenda - None
20/214 Minutes of the previous meeting, October 12<sup>th</sup> 2020, unanimously approved as a true record, to be signed by the Chair at next possible opportunity.
20/215 Spending Priorities – Spreadsheet of priorities was reviewed by each area as follows:

**Roberts' Recreation Ground** – Resolved to recommend to Full Council that the new slide and tunnel are a priority and the acceptance of the preferred quotation should be supported. To be funded via Lottery Fund (FoRR £1k), 3 Villages Gala fund (£1k) and CIL/S106 (£3.72k)

**Poplars Sports Ground** – Casual play area could be funded by the FA. Other areas of spend to be factored into revenue budget or reserves. Any general improvement of clubhouse to be funded by external sources.

**Cemetery** – Re-tarmac of central path had been well received. Remaining side paths still to be tarmacked. Edging of existing path also a required long term improvement. Discussion regarding potential support e.g. from Gedling Access Road. Noted Cllr L King opening discussions with Balfour Beattie. Agreed that path improvement would have an immediate impact and is a priority.

**Allotments** – Headlands (central and side grass pathways) are in need of levelling and filling. Quotes to be obtained for work. Severn Trent Water to be contacted to seek permission and support.

**The Grove** – Possible installation of pre-school / toddler play area discussed. Noted this needs to be assessed in the context of provision in the village as a whole. Will

require detailed proposal. Cllr N Orders and J Sherrin to explore at zoom meeting with equipment provider on 11<sup>th</sup> November.

**Old School Building** – Discussion regarding grant application to Old School Trust and email response from Trustees discussed. Clarity over support of the project is still required. J Sherrin to draft response based on views of those present to circulate to all councillors for approval before replying.

**Other items** – Clock restoration – J Sherrin to explore funding sources via Village Society, Clock Repairers and GBC Cllr S Smith. Climate change actions – agreed that when any machinery is replaced, green alternatives are given serious consideration, in particular, electric powered instead of petrol and diesel equipment.

**20/216** Information update – Noted that an excessively large water bill had been received for the Poplars / Allotments and was being queried with the providers.

**20/217** Date of next meeting – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 10am.

Meeting closed at 11:55am

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**Chair of Finance & General Purpose Committee**