

**MINUTES OF DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL
OPEN SPACES & PROPERTY
COMMITTEE MEETING**

Meeting held on Thursday 21st April 2022 at 7pm in King George V Pavilion.

Present: Cllrs A Crotch, C Brown, J Anderson, G Everett, K Morgan, N Quinsey.

Parish Clerk: Sarah Hawken

1. Apologies and consideration of acceptance for absence

No apologies for absence were received.

2. Members' declarations of interest and requests for dispensations

None.

3. To receive and approve committee minutes of 10th February 2022

The minutes were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman.

4. To allow public participation in accordance with Standing Orders

No members of the public were present.

5. To report on the progress of items from previous meetings:

5.1 **Longdale picnic benches.** Scheduled for delivery and installation Spring 2022.

5.2 **Painting of play equipment at Longdale.** This has been agreed with a contractor. Completion date to be confirmed.

5.3 **Refurbishment to the outside of Longdale Pavilion.** Discussion regarding the replacement of the wooden fascias with plastic equivalent to reduce future maintenance. It was proposed by Cllr Anderson to proceed with the re-paint as specified with a view to obtain quotes for the replacement of the fascias for the future. Seconded by Cllr Brown, all in favour.

Action: Clerk

6. To discuss the re-vamp/re-build of the pavilion at King George V Playing Field (KGV).

The importance of stakeholder engagement was emphasised. It was proposed to arrange a series of informal meetings to promote discussion with local clubs and users of KGV to ascertain their requirements. Clarification required as to the ownership of the land and subsequent planning implications.

Action: Clerk

7. To consider quote for net over goal storage area at Longdale. It was considered that a cover for the top of the goal storage area was not practical. Cllr Anderson proposed that prominent and appropriate signage is to be installed on the sides of the storage area, to discourage climbing. Seconded by Cllr Brown. All in favour.

Action: Clerk

8. To consider replacement of the play area equipment at KGV. Comments were made as to the age group that the play area should aim to appeal to, as well as the need for inclusivity and DDA compliance. Suggested plans to be made available to the public for comment at the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations on 2nd June 2022 with the facility to make comments and suggestions. Cllr Quinsey proposed a project completion date of no later than 31st March 2023. This was seconded by Cllr Crotch, all in favour.

Action: Clerk

9. To consider quotes for fencing at Longdale. The northern fence line of Longdale playing field was discussed with reference to the varying states of repair. A recommendation is to be made to full-council that the fence line is replaced in entirety at the next Parish Council Meeting on 5th May 2022. Cllr Anderson proposed to obtain a further two quotations for the replacement of the fence line in entirety, subject to confirmation of ownership. Seconded by Cllr Morgan, all in favour.

Action: Clerk

10. To report on the Contract with Absolute Sport and Leisure 1st June 2022 – 31st May 2023. Defer to next committee meeting on 16th June 2022.

11. To discuss car park enlargement at Longdale. Discussions regarding usage of the car park. High usage is usually concentrated to weekends and infrequent events. It was commented that the expenditure associated with the full refurbishment of the area as suggested may not be commensurate to the benefit. It was resolved to revise quotes to reflect the refurbishment of the centre and southern side of the carpark only. Defer to next committee meeting on 16th June 2022.

Action: Clerk

12. To consider the options for better meeting furniture. Defer for future meeting.

13. To consider allotment plans for Manor Park development. Defer responsibility to the Environment and Highways Committee.

14. To discuss the Larry Gray Fair, August 2022. The Committee approved the use of Longdale Playing Field for the Larry Gray Fair. The event would be coordinated by the Friends of Longdale, with all donations distributed in line with the policies of the Friends of Longdale. Proposed by Cllr Quinsey, seconded by Cllr Crotch, all in favour. 1 abstention.

15. To agree the date and time of next meeting – 16th June 2022.

Meeting closed at 2103.

Signed by:
Cllr A Crotch
Chair