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Minutes of the meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee held on the 07th January 2020 at the Village Hall, Fishers Close, Great Barford.

Present: Di Ames (Chair), Ann Lovesey MBE, Derrick Folbigg, Duncan Edgar, James Rudgley, Stuart Southall

Clerk: Joanne Lee

MINUTES

1. **To receive and approve apologies for absence.**
None.
2. **Declarations of interest in any matter – being prejudicial or personal.**
None.
3. **Discuss the possible donation of the school exercise equipment.**
The Parish Council discussed and agreed that the Clerk needs to research how much it would cost to remove and reinstall the exercise equipment and if any special surfacing would be required. This would then be put to the Full Parish Council meeting to discuss further.
Action Clerk to research how much it would cost to remove and reinstall the exercise equipment and if any special surfacing would be required. Put on full Parish Council to re-discuss when costings received.
4. **Discuss reviewing security in Jubilee Play area.**
The Parish Council discussed and recommended that due to recent complaints from local residents regarding playground security, unauthorised access to the playground during closed hours and dog fouling that fence panels should be erected on playground grounds across any direct access into Jubilee Play area other than the main entrance.
Action Clerk to put on the Full Parish Council meeting to discuss the Committee's recommendations. If authorised at the Full Parish Council meeting then a letter would be sent to local residents to advise them of the Parish Council's decision and action to be taken.
5. **Review Risk Assessments and risk schedules.**
To be discussed at the Full Parish Council meeting
Action Clerk to put on the Full Parish Council meeting to review the risk assessments and risk schedules.
6. **Discuss Woodpecker 2020 Grass Cutting Contract.**
Clerk currently waiting for quote from a local grass cutting contractor. The Parish Council discussed and agreed that another local grass contractor should be contacted for a possible quote.

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Action Clerk to put on the full Parish Council meeting to discuss the grass cutting contract for Woodpecker Close for 2020.

Clerk to chase local grass cutting contractor to request quote to be received by next Full Parish Council meeting.

Clerk to speak other local grass cutting contractor about providing a possible quote.

7. Discuss and agree possible future CIL projects.

The Parish Council discussed and agreed that possible projects to be considered were an exercise circuit around the village, grass mower for the village hall for any possible clubs using the village hall playing fields in the future, tidy up the playing fields and remove the rabbits from the village hall playing fields, exercise equipment, litter disposal, tarmac the corner in the village hall car-park, preventing further erosion of the river bank near footbridge to weir.

It was also agreed for the handyman to tidy up the corner of the village hall car park.

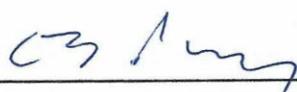
Action Clerk to put suggestions to full parish Council meeting. Clerk to contact handyman to ask to tidy up the corner of the village hall car park.

8. Discuss and review CCTV at the Village Hall.

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that the insurance company had confirmed that the use of CCTV equipment is not a mandatory insurance requirement so it is not an issue if the monitoring of the village hall ceases. Loss and damage cover for the equipment itself can also continue if it is left in situ although in the event of a claim for loss or damage arising there would be an expectation the Parish Council would be looking to repair or replace it.

The Clerk advised that a letter had been sent to the Village Hall Association to advise them that the Parish Council had decided to decommission the CCTV cameras at the Village Hall and would be using them as dummy cameras only, requesting possible storage for the CCTV equipment at the Village Hall and for any further comments regarding the barrier.

The Parish Council agreed to wait for the response from the Village Hall Association regarding storage of the CCTV and barrier.

Signed: _____  _____ Date: 18-02-2020

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