

Minutes of the Land Management committee meeting held remotely on the 9th March 2022 at 12.34pm

Present:

Cllr C Graham, Cllr L Kneen, Cllr L Walters and Cllr D Wilson (Chairman), Mrs. S Cook (Clerk) and Ms. E Cope (Deputy Clerk).

LM 044/2021 To note apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr K Elvin.

LM 045/2021 To approve the minutes from the meetings on 24th January and 2nd February 2022

The minutes of the meetings held on 24th January and 2nd February 2022 were held to be a true and accurate record.

LM 046/2021 Update from the Parish Office

The Clerk reported several storm damaged trees within Jubilee Field, Bray Green and Holyport Green. Councillors agreed that quotes should be obtained and presented at the next meeting for consideration.

Cllr Graham reported the loss of 4 polytunnels at Bray allotments, residents are requesting additional skips for removal. Cllrs agreed that the single skip provided annually by Bray Parish Council would be adequate, with the responsibility for any additional rubbish residing with the allotment holder. The Clerk's office will arrange a skip prior to Easter weekend and will notify the allotment holders in advance.

Cllr Graham requested the bund hedge to be cut back, the Clerk's office will obtain quotes and action once approved.

On the advice from Forestry Commission, the Clerk confirmed the need for the Parish Council to spray this year against Oak Processionary Moth. The Clerk's office will obtain quotes prior to the next meeting.

LM 047/2021 Review of the task list

Cllr Walters noted the prompt removal by residents of a fallen wall onto a footpath Langworthy Lane. Cllr Wilson asked for comments on the task list, it was agreed to removal all completed work from the list. Action Clerks' office.

Cllr Kneen has been approached by the owners of The Old Cricketers regarding a large tree which has fallen from their boundary onto Holyport Green. Cllr Walters declared a conflict of interest, stating as a neighbour he could not take part, leaving the meeting for the duration of the discussion. Cllrs discussed options for removal of the tree stump noting that the tree although now on Parish land originated from the resident's garden. It was proposed that both the property owner and Clerk's office obtain a quote for removal, to be discussed at the next meeting.

LM 048/2021 Review of the Play areas report

The report was discussed by ClIrs with the Clerk noting that as advised by ARD the damaged swing from Aysgarth Park had been removed. ClIrs agreed to consider replacement on a like-for-like basis. Clerk's office to obtain quotes and report.

Cllrs thanked the Clerk for her diligent work to ensure the Parish playgrounds are in good order with minimal medium/high risk areas being reported by ARD.

LM 049/2021 To discuss and agree planting areas for the saplings supplied by the Woodland Trust, for the Platinum Jubilee

A request for 1 sapling to remain at Braywood Memorial Hall was approved by all. Cllrs requested the Clerk's office circulate an email to all Cllrs requesting suggestions for possible planting sites.

Cllr Kneen noted Highways England obligation to replant the area alongside Aysgarth Park, Cllr Graham reported that Highways England have successfully replanted Monkey Island Lane, it is expected Aysgarth Park to be completed in a similar manner.

LM 050/2021 Local Government Act 1972 Exclusion of the public

There being no members of the public present the meeting continued without pause.

<u>Part II</u>

LM 051/2021 To review quotes, Holyport allotment refurbishment

Cllrs discussed quotes received for Gays Lane Allotments; The Deputy Clerk noting one further quote to be received. Cllrs requested information be tabulated to enable a clear view of the costs involved, all agreed to present findings at Main Council on the 11th April 22.

Cllr Graham declared a conflict of interest, stating as an allotment holder he could not take part in the discussion for Bray Allotments, leaving the meeting for the duration of the discussion. Cllrs discussed the use of S106 money currently on the balance sheet.

Deputy Clerk proposed applying for Lottery funding. Cllrs agreed the requirement to investigate other grant sources further, including RBWM, Berkshire Community Fund and Thames Water Grants Panel. Cllr Graham offered to assist the Deputy Clerk with creating a suitable presentation. LM 052/2021 Date of next meeting – Wednesday 15th June 2022

There being no other business the meeting closed at 1.38pm