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## **Minutes of a meeting of the Calstock Parish Council Recreations Committee**

held on **Tuesday 27 February 2024**, in the Tamar Valley Centre at 1800.

Those present were: -

COUNCILLORS: Cllr Alford, Cllr Flashman, Cllr Greenwood, Cllr Polglase (Chair), Cllr Wakem.

Peter Gadd, Outside Services Leader.

Miss Clare Bullimore (Clerk – *minutes*).

### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Kirk (injury), Cllr Trapp (ill), Cllr Ledger (family commitments), Cllr Warwick (family commitments), Cllr Spurr (ill).

### **2. Declarations and Dispensations in Members' Interests**

None.

### **3. Public Participation**

None.

### **4. Approve Minutes of the last meeting, 03-10-2023**

Proposal/resolution: the minutes be approved. Proposed: Cllr Alford; seconded: Cllr Greenwood – approved by all those present at the last meeting.

### **5. Matters arising**

Barrier at Gunnislake – agreed to bring this issue up at a meeting to be held with Gunnislake Community Matters and seek opinion. Pete Gadd also to attend the meeting.

Skate Park Tender – the tender has been held up as an appendix was missing from the document. We were waiting for it to be sent but there has been a delay. Cllr Polglase and the Clerk to look at the tender. The Clerk raised the issue that the document is very technical with a very specific scoring criteria and will require councillors/community members with experience/knowledge in such matters to score the companies that place a tender.

### **6. New Correspondence**

Use of King George V Playing Field, Gunnislake for Archery practice – reluctantly it was agreed that this space should not be used for target practice due to the risks involved.



Email from Inga Ziemina, Ingas Tennis School – it was agreed that contact will be made with Inga to say she is welcome to use the court but we will not take up her offer of helping with resurfacing and a booking system. Pete Gadd noted that the white lines needs repainting.

**7. Playgrounds update**

Pete reported that all play areas have had remedial work on them. There is some ongoing work to do prior to April’s ROSPA visit but generally they have had maintenance carried out. A new shelter at Harrowbarrow has been made in-house; the slides have had major repairs as has a seesaw. New equipment has been ordered (as approved) for St Ann’s Chapel but has yet to arrive.

Pete has set up a volunteer group to work on the playboat at Calstock. Timber has been locally sourced and often procured at cost (or free). Four volunteers are working on the repairs, their work is being overseen by Pete. It was approved that the volunteers should receive refreshments whilst working and that their time will have saved thousands of pounds to the Council and potentially £80,000 if the boat had needed to be demolished and replaced.

The Clerk reported that the £15,000 budget that had been approved to spend on replacements and repairs has nearly been spent -but with everything that had been requested being accounted for.

**8. Possible use of Gunnislake Football Pitch/Changing Rooms**

The Clerk reported that Cllr Warwick had met someone who was interested in using the pitch and changing rooms but he hasn’t heard back from them. It was agreed that any requests will be considered on an individual basis.

**9. Allotments**

It was agreed that if plot 10B has not paid an eviction notice will be served as the tenant has a history of not keeping the plot well cultivated. The Clerk reported that the Council has joined the National Allotment Society who can provide advice and guidance if there are issues. The Clerk and Kev Ninnis regularly inspect the plots and reports from allotment holders are positive.

**10. Review Payments and Receipts and 106 grant remaining money (£7836.28)**

These were noted with no concerns and it was not felt necessary to draw on the 106 money at the moment (the deadline for using this money is April 2027).

The meeting ended at 1855

Signed..... Date.....