Sandridge Parish Council



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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPORTS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Councillors: Graham Leonard (Chair), Jenny Roberts, Mike White, Adam Twidell, James Lambert, Raihaanah Ahmed

Public members: Jez Cox, Chris Cooke

Officers: Rebecca Pannese; Project, Amenities and Community Engagement Officer Simon Thwaites: Parish Clerk

A meeting of the Sports and Recreation Grounds Committee is to be held on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at Marshalswick Community Centre.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Disclosures of Interest and Dispensations

To receive declarations of interest from Members on items on the agenda and to receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests.

- 3. To approve the minutes of the Sports and Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held on the 17th January 2024
- 4. Pump track update

Please see the attached report. A verbal update will also be given by the PACE Officer.

5. 2024/25 Additional capital works

Whilst the question of how much will remain in the budget for 2024/25 following completion (or not) of the bike track, the PACE Officer has started to investigate some smaller scale projects for consideration. One such maintenance item is shown below:

- Freshly painted lines in Sherwood Park Multi-Use Games Area & tennis courts

A quote has been obtained for a company to professionally paint the lines in the tennis courts at Sherwood Avenue Open Space. These courts are extremely well used by the public and the lines are faded. Due to the state of the current surface, the contractor has advised that they be resprayed with colours and a binder that will hold the surface together and extend the life of the courts, as well as improve their overall appearance. Please see below before and after photos of a similar court;



The total cost to do both courts would be £5,780. Two further quotations will be obtained.

It is therefore:

Recommended

To proceed with the court painting at Sherwood Courts from the 2024/25 budget.

6. Engaging Young People to work with The Parish Council through the DoE Scheme in Maintaining High Quality Play and Sports Facilities

Councillor Twidell to give a further update on this initiative.

7. Matters of Note

- Independent play inspections have been carried out at our playgrounds. Once we
 receive the reports the PACE Officer will review them individually and authorise work to
 be carried out at the earliest opportunity.
- The Clerk has received ongoing reports of vandalism along the alley way to the William

- Bell Open Space from The Ridgeway. The police are aware and are in contact with the residents most affected.
- A new Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy relating to the DofE volunteer scheme
 was presented to Full Council at the February meeting. Following discussion, a small
 group of Councillors experienced in safeguarding met with the Centres Manager with a
 view to finalising the document before adoption by the Council.
- Councillor Hale and the Chair of the Finance Committee met with Trustees of the Sandridge Youth and Sport Community Association (SYSCA) on 26th February to agree a recovery plan to be part-funded by a Parish Council grant. Various works were agreed and prioritised.
- 8. Matters Arising Since the Circulation of the Agenda
- 9. Suggestions for Future Meetings

Date of next meeting – 7:30pm Wednesday 19th June 2024 at Marshalswick Community Centre