Oldbury on Severn
Parish Council

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held at 6.00pm on Monday 11th March 2024 at The Pavilion, Westmarsh Lane, Oldbury-on-Severn, BS35 1QD

Present

Chairman Sheila Bedford (SRB), Cllr Laura Day (LD), Cllr Ian Knapp (IK), Cllr Kevin Evans (KE), Cllr Matthew Riddle (MR), Cllr Chris Jennings, Cllr David Heape (DH)

18.00 Commencement of Extraordinary Council Meeting

1.Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Kate Warrender (KW) Cllr Belinda Orford (BOR),

2. To receive agenda declarations of interest and dispensation requests

None received

3. To discuss the amendments to the Cricket Club lease. The Cricket Club are having some difficulties with complying with the original lease and have asked the Parish Council to see if there was any way there commitment could be reduced. After a discussion it was proposed that the Cricket Club should:-

1. Mow the cricket pitch, marked in red to the standard required for playing cricket
2. Mow the area marked purple/blue regularly during the growing season to a length that will allow ball games to be played. Grass should be cut up to the boundary and the hedges trimmed.

3. Maintain all hedges and fences along the boundary of the areas marked in red and blue and owned by the council to a satisfactory standard

4. Cut the strip of land behind the houses twice a year (mid July and autumn to enable reseeding) with either a hedge cutter or strimmer to ensure that access is maintained for the Drainage Board to service the rhine

This will cover the rebate of 75%

Also

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5. Mow the old tip to maintain paths around and through it as required by the Parish Council.

6 Assist the Council with the maintenance of the remaining boundaries

7 Mow an area not less thatn15 meters into the land marked as the old tip

This will cover the remaining 25%

Proposed by Cllr Matthew Riddle

Seconded by Chris Jennings

Agree unanimously

6. To review the new door fitted to the front of the Pavilion. The Councillors inspected the door and the work required for fitting the magnetic locking device which is now working satisfactorily

Councillors were informed that the cost to date was in the region of £400.00.

Action With regard to fire and insurance compliance it was agreed that the Clerk should review the insurance policy to see if the door is covered by the insurance regulations. Laura Day will check to see if it is compliant with fire regulations

This is to be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting

The meeting was asked if a further urgent item could be added to the agenda which was agreed.

Cllr Evans has now completed his work on preparing the contract for the Clerk which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The proposal was:-

To accept the contract as written

Proposed by Cllr Jennings

Seconded by Cllr Riddle

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Agreed by majority

Cllr Evans asked it the Committee would agree the amount to be paid into the Nest pension fund. A full and frank debate took place

Proposal:-

The amount was to be set at a Council contribution of 10% and the Clerk's contribution at 5%

Proposed by Cllr Evans

Seconded by Cllr Riddle

Agreed by a majority

The meeting closed at 19.25