

# DRAYCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND ST CHAD'S LNR COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS ELVASTON STREET, DRAYCOTT ON FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2019 AT 9.00AM

Present: Chairman – J Fletcher

Councillors – S Gelsthorpe, M Wilson, C Wheatley

Police – No

Members of the Public – 1 – for the Walk around St Chads part of the meeting

Mrs S Butcher - Clerk and RFO

Public Speaking - None

## PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

**241/19 Apologies**- were accepted for Cllr Roger Brown, Cllr Darren Gelsthorpe

**242/19 Variation of Order of Business** – none

**243/19 Declaration of Members Interests** – none

**244/19 Leisure Green** – The committee RESOLVED works for this current financial year would include a new fence around the Army Cadet Hut (if permission is granted) Once the quotes for the Car Park are in, a decision by full council will be made if the work is in this financial year (monies would come from reserves) or next year. No works other than maintenance works identified for the next financial year.

**245/19 Hopwell Road Teen Area** – it was RESOLVED that the no additional works are identified for this current financial year. No works other than maintenance works identified for the next financial year.

**246/19 Draycott Playing Fields** – it was RESOLVED that the wet pour surface is required asap underneath the basket swing and the shrinkage around the play area(s) and making the Clay Street entrance accessible for large mobility scooters for this financial year. Maintenance works identified for the next financial year includes a replacement basket swing, sleepers and posts, painting of all wood and picnic tables as well as the normal maintenance provisions

**247/19 Pavilion** – it was RESOLVED that the clerk would check with our water tester if the current water heaters will be adequate and how long he anticipates that they will last. The committee RESOLVED to recommend to the full council to increase the football club fee's to £55 for Senior Matches and £35 for Junior Matches to cover the increased costs for cleaning, water testing and electricity increases.

**248/19 St Chad's Water LNR** - it was RESOLVED to increase Canopy's days to 5 to enable more work to take place from 25<sup>th</sup> November – this will clear more areas ready for Memorial Benches and vista's. Two trees were identified as requiring felling which will be included in the Canopy work. The repairs to the Viewing Platform should be actioned in this financial year. For the next financial year, it was RESOLVED that the Bird Feeding area grass will be cut (including nettle area) 7 times in the season. A cross section of the Wildflower Meadow will be cut at approx. 2m wide 7 times in the season. The pathway edgings will also be cut back 4 times in the season. The clerk is to obtain a revised quote for these additional works. It was RESOLVED to obtain the quotes for the following work that will form part of the National Lottery Heritage Bid:

- a. Pond Dipping (including installation)
- b. Car Park Resurfacing
- c. Car Park Entrances – cut back undergrowth and Fence either sides of the gate
- d. Create a "Wild" Children's Area
  - i. Scrape the top layer away to remove the nettles
  - ii. Top Soil part of the area
  - iii. Wood chip part of the area
  - iv. Create seats, branches for dens etc with existing material around St Chads
  - v. Brass Rubbing Poles
  - vi. Information Boards
- e. Install picnic benches at the bird feeding area (1 to be for disabled access)
- f. More robust car park edging using existing felled branches

**249/19 Actions from the Annual Parish** – the clerk is to continue to update the spreadsheet until all items have been actioned

**250/19 PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – EXEMPT MATTERS** - none

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 1pm