

#### SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of a Land Assets Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 12 noon

Present: Chairman Councillor Jan Holben

Councillors Nina Bliss, Robert Bliss, Tim Prater and Adrian Watts

Clerk P Savage

The meeting commenced at 12 noon

Two members of the public attended

- 1. Apologies for absence there were none as all members were present.
- **2. Declarations of Interest** there were none.
- **3. Minutes** The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2018 were submitted, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Agreed by all present at that meeting

### 4. Sandgate Park

- **4.1 MUGA update:** noted that the quote for gate and steps from MUGA was still awaited. RFO to consider getting quotes from other contractors. (**RFO**)
- **4.2 Play equipment:** monthly checks were currently up to date with interim weekly checks undertaken by the caretaker.
- **4.3 Fitness equipment:** nothing further to report.
- 4.4 Caretaker's report: noted.
- **4.5 Furniture and signage:** picnic tables had yet to be weatherproofed and further damage had occurred. **RFO to chase**
- **4.6 Dog run:** leaflet for campaign remained available and some copies had been distributed Fun Day (**RFO and councillors**)
- **4.7 Boules pitch:** nothing further to report.
- 4.8 Potential bid for multi-agency funding

The RFO gave a report on various projects:

- Replacement play equipment: total cost of £33,000; grant aid of £5,000 had been secured from the De Haan Charitable Trust; £2,000 from KCC member Rory Love; and £1,000 from the Tory Family Foundation. Recommended to Finance Committee and Council that the balance of £25,000 be met from the major projects fund
- War memorial: noted that grant aid of £2,000 had been secured from KCC member Rory Love and that the memorial bench had therefore been ordered. A quote for the improvements to the paving surrounding the war memorial was expected by the Sub-Committee's next meeting.
- Car park: noted that a commitment had already been entered into to implement this project and start on site was awaited
- Toilet block base and walls: quotes were outstanding on these items.

With the major projects fund standing at £71,000 the RFO advised that with the above two projects committed there would be £21,000 remaining for the implementation of the war memorial works and the toilet block base. The Sub-Committee endorsed this position.

## 5. Car park/dog run – stage two: the building works

The project had been initiated with the contractor and was subject to him planning dates. RFO to explore with contractor the options for DDA access and allocating one parking space for blue badge holders.

### 6. Granville Road toilets and 'kiosk'

The RFO gave a brief update on the position. Councillors queried whether, with the major expenditure this year, the toilets and kiosk were still within overall projected budgets. The RFO advised that the works were part of a five year maintenance cycle and that therefore whilst expenditure had been high already this year, over a five year period the toilets remained affordable (RFO).

#### 7. Sandgate woods and Martello Towers: update

The RFO reported on the email that had been received earlier that day. The vendor had decided to sell the woods and Martello towers to another purchaser at a significantly higher price. It was understood that the new owner would implement the planning permission, starting with the renovation of the Martello towers. RFO to undertake the following actions

- Calculate what costs had been incurred by the Parish Council since agreement in principle had been reached with the vendor with a view to seeking recompense
- Seek further legal advice as to what remedies were possible
- Prepare press release for publication on 5 September 2018 so as to advise residents of the outcome
- 8. 2018-19 LAM/major projects budgets: noted that there had been no unexpected costs at this stage.
- **9. Correspondence** there was no correspondence
- **10. Information** there was no further information.

The meeting ended at 12.45 pm.

11. Date of next meeting – 2 October 2018 at 12 noon (noted Chairman's apologies).

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Signed by	the Chairman, La	and Assets Management Sub-Committee	
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