



## Minutes – Public Spaces Committee

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### Minutes of the virtual meeting held at 6pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**Present:** Cllrs Byfield (Chair), Arthur, Boston, Gaisford, Lawrence, Norrington, Rogers, Trevethan and White

**In attendance:** Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk), Cllrs Bowers, Higgins and Yeo, 4 members of the public

#### **Public Participation**

Members of the public representing the various relevant initiatives spoke in support of agenda items relating to a proposed charity event on the Inner Green and proposed installation of a Refill water station.

#### **011/21/PS Apologies**

No apologies had been received.

#### **012/21/PS Declarations of interest and dispensations granted**

There were no declarations of interest. No dispensations had been granted.

#### **013/21/PS Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January were approved as a true and accurate record.

#### **014/21/PS Proposed charity concert on Inner Green**

Members considered a proposal from the Rotary Club who wished to host a charity concert in September on the Inner Green and would ensure Covid-safety arrangements were in place. The Council was not in a position to grant permission for any public events but did support the initiative in principle and would look favourably upon a formal application subject to changes in national restrictions and to the receipt of a full event application that meets with the council's usual requirements.

#### **015/21/PS Installation of Refill station**

Members considered a proposal from the charity Our Only World which had received funding to source and install water refill stations at a number of sites in Cornwall. The works would be fully funded and members welcomed the proposal. It was agreed that the Inner Green working group would include this as part of the project planning and address the practical details such as location, water supply and cleaning.

#### **016/21/PS Updates from Working Groups**

##### **Skate Park**

A successful meeting had taken place with Sport England resulting in their removal of their consultee objection. The Public Spaces Officer was also now satisfied as the revised plans and removal of the bowl was deemed to be less likely to have an impact on neighbouring properties. The working group was continuing to address consultee queries regarding acoustics and a request for a contaminated land survey which might not be required given the revision to the plans. It was hoped that these final queries would be addressed quickly so that a determination could be made soon.

##### **Bolenna Park**

The Bolenna Park working group continued to meet and was considering renewing paths as the next phase of the works to improve the park. This would address safety concerns. Quotes were awaited. The Clerk had worked with the Communications Officer at Cornwall Council to provide copy for a press release relating to the provision of S.106 funds.

### **Goonhavern Park Pump Track**

The installation was reported to still be scheduled to take place in May.

### **PACE**

The group had met and had started to make plans to create an action plan and hoped to start to deliver relevant projects soon.

### **Penhale Conservation Group**

There was nothing further to report since the sale of the site. The working group would meet to discuss any further steps required and the parish council would consider the planning application in due course.

### **Inner Green Project**

It was reported that the working group's expectations were not fully aligned with the latest proposal and costings, and therefore the group did not wish to initiate a major and costly project immediately before the local elections (as the next council may have different approaches regarding how to proceed). However the group reported that they had reached consensus on the proposed design, which had been commissioned from the Landscape Architect. The design was presented to councillors and explained, including how care had been taken to accommodate the requirements of popular local events - especially the annual Triathlon. It was agreed to adopt the design as the agreed long term plan, but to proceed on a simpler level in the short term by concentrating on prioritising the replacement turf and new pathways for which quotes would be sought, and then to consider progress onto other aspects of the project thereafter. It was AGREED to proceed on an incremental basis starting with the grass and pathways. It was noted that there might be additional sources of funding available such as grants and S.106 monies, which would be investigated by the working group.

### **Tamblyn Way Steps Project**

The working group had held a productive joint meeting with the Time and Tide group who were very keen to work on the project alongside the council. Funding options were being explored and a meeting would be held imminently with Hydrock. The intention was to complete the Expression of Interest for Heritage Lottery funding as soon as possible.

### **017/21/PS Surfacing works to Bolenna Park**

Cllr Boston had asked 4 companies to quote for surfacing works to accommodate parking at Bolenna Park. She had only received 2 quotes which were presented to members. After discussion, members agreed that they wished to revert to the earlier proposal of surfacing a reduced area and AGREED to proceed on the basis of the earlier quote of £5,777.

### **018/21/PS Items of Correspondence**

There were no significant items of correspondence to report.

### **019/21/PS Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was noted: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.35 hours

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Date: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021