MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD 2 JUNE 2020

Councillors Present: Cllr Sheila Baynes, Cllr Ian Corben, Cllr Patricia Jenkins, Cllr Keith House, Cllr Jim Mitchell, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Derek Pretty (Chair), Cllr John Shepherd, Cllr Jane Welsh

P948 Apologies: Cllr Maggie Allingham

P949 To consider the Minutes of the meeting held 5 May 2020

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 May 2020 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

Matters Arising

None arising not already on the agenda.

P950 Correspondence

None Received.

P951 Budget Implications

In response to the letter from the leader of Eastleigh Borough Council requesting details of the impact of Covid-19 on Town and Parish Councils.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed that a figure of £129,902 per annum should be used for each month's loss of income and sent to EBC for April and then reviewed at this meeting monthly.

P952 Unauthorised Encampment

Cllr Cliff Morris declared an interest in this item.

Cllr lan Corben asked about the quality of the padlocks as Greta Park and what could be done to improve these. **RESOLVED: to explore the costs of chains and padlocks that are less easy to access.**

Cllr Pretty spoke about the proposal to change the entrance onto St Johns Recreation Ground. Cllr Welsh asked about the access requirements on this site and how often we need this. The clerk confirmed that it is only ground staff access as and when required and staff could park in front of it, so would potentially not lose spaces.

Cllr Corben thanked Sarah for her work on the report and hadn't appreciated that caravans would have to go through an estate to get to Dowds Park.

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Cllr Pretty outlined that there are opportunities for access through the knee rail and perhaps this could have some additional dragons' teeth in between the existing trees.

Cllr House noted a gap as you move towards Minchin Acres there is missing knee rail and most have a bollard but just at the entrance there is a gap larger enough to get into the site.

RESOLVED: The Clerk and Operations Manager to take a look at reinforcing this site.

Cllr Pretty provided an overview of the other sites, Drummond is quite a secure site with the new measures. Greta Park is secure following previous measures. Norman Rodaway barrier is robust and apart from closing the car park in the evening it is recognised that there is not much that can be done there. Old School House is an unlikely target for an unauthorised encampment. Turnpike Way has a double height barrier which works well.

Woodhouse Lane barrier is not great and could be considered for future improvements. Parking has increased in this area because of the building works. The clerk outlined the issue with changing the barrier and the users that are there from 7.30am until late in an evening and weekends and if we were to install double barriers each user would need a key to them and this automatically decreases the security of the site with the potential for gates to be left open. This to be kept under review.

P953 Hedge End Youth Provision

The Youth Team Leader previously circulated a report on the activities that have been taking place during lockdown and the potential for activities once lockdown is eased. The Summer residential has been moved to September.

Cllr Pretty noted that Sarah had taken over from Donna and the young people seem happy with this. Councillors would like to see the implementation of the younger group. **RESOLVED: Sarah to be invited to join the July meeting.**

Cllr Shepherd asked about the distances people come from to the club. Cllr Pretty outlined the history of the club and how this had been the case in the past.

Cllr Corben noted that this was a particular group, however we should be mindful that Hedge End may not be able to support organisations referrals from outside the area.

Councillors offered thanks to Sarah in settling into her role and the ongoing reports.

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P954 Young Peoples Wellbeing Service

Cllrs noted the 2019/20 Annual Report from the Young Peoples Wellbeing Service.

Cllr Welsh asked about the age range up to 19. Cllr Baynes also echoed this thought. The clerk outlined the DfE guidelines are young people to the age as 19 and 25 for people with learning disabilities. **RESOLVED: Clerk to check if Bursledon provide any funding to the service.**

P955 All members of the public and press are requested to leave the meeting Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

P956 Exempt Business – Leases and Rents Buildings Valuations

Insurance Renewal
Home Farm

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 19:50 hours.