HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 19 OCTOBER 2021

Clirs. Present: Clir Paul Carnell, Clir Ian Corben, Clir Keith House, Clir John Jupe, Clir John Shepherd, Clir Jane Welsh

S19 Apologies

Cllr Margaret Allingham, Cllr Sheila Baynes, Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Tonia Craig, Cllr Cynthia Garton, Cllr Pat Jenkins, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Jim Mitchell, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr Ben Thomas

S20 Chairs Introduction to the Committee

Cllr House reminded everyone of the purpose of the meeting and asked the committee chairs to provide an update on progress. Cllr House reported to the meeting that development has started on the Serenity site. This means that HETC can now ask for the S106 money for the play area. The space could be extended into the football pitch area. **RESOLVED: R&A** to determine the space and requirements for a new play area at Norman Rodaway. Consideration should also be given to the potential to add a trim trail.

S21 Current Projects – Updates from Committee Chairs

Recreation & Amenities

Cllr Welsh provided an update on committee progress with future priorities. The committee had discussed the potential for a running track. **RESOLVED**: **R&A to look at the potential for Greta Park to be used and costings to be sought.**

A discussion took place about the use of both Greta Park and Norman Rodaway for football and the potential for decommissioning Greta if the football is going to move to Rodaway after the Rangers move in Sept 2022. **RESOLVED: The committee to look at this in detail including consultation with the FA.**

Nelson Gardens Play Area is the only one on the Northern Side of Maunsell Way. The Grange Park Councillors felt that abandoning the site was not the preferred option. **RESOLVED: R&A to revisit this site to look at its potential including the option of a MUGA including an element of consultation and engagement.**

Cllrs discussed the Play Areas noting that some will need replacing, consideration will need to be given to the range of equipment for suitable

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ages and the location of some of the sites. RESOLVED: R&A to revisit developing a Play Area Strategy and schedule replacements.

Cllrs discussed the options for Woodhouse Lane. Consideration was given to the addition of a MUGA or half Basketball Court in this area. Refurbishment of the skate park should be considered. **RESOLVED: R&A to look at this area and provide a plan.**

Resurfacing of the Cricket Wickets will be considered from the S106 St John's Phase 2 if this comes forward.

The Bowling Green edges need repairing. **RESOLVED: The Town Clerk to enquire if there are S106 contributions to cover this.**

Removal of the bund from the Drummond Community Centre. **RESOLVED: R&A to explore options and get prices.**

Policy & Resources

R&A had raised the need for a new tipper truck to assist with the current workload. The Clerk outlined that the vehicles are reaching a point where they will need replacing and work had started on a vehicles analysis to come back to P&R. RESOLVED: The Town Clerk to develop a schedule for replacement of vehicles and bring back to P&R.

The Clerk noted improvements to outdoor spaces including barriers to Greta, Old School House and white lining.

The Clerk outlined some potential for buildings including the refurbishment of Taplin to a multi-use centre for youth and tennis. **RESOLVED: R&A to look at this with the Woodhouse Lane site.**

Cllr House informed the meeting of the Parish & Town Council Investment Fund. Cllrs to consider options that can't be funded from S106. **RESOLVED:**The Town Clerk to seek a list of the S106 contributions. Cllrs to consider suitable projects for eligibility for the fund.

Cllr House suggested that Eastleigh to do some work on collective strategy to access these funds.

Cllr Jupe asked about the work that had taken place on the Visioning Group regarding making the High Street and Village Center more user friendly.

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Highways & Planning

This Committee does not have any capital projects planned.

S22 Service Cuts & Changes to the County Council and CCG

Cllr Carnell asked about the changes to the CCG with regards the merger between St Luke's and Botley Surgeries. Cllr House reported that the CCG had stated that the back-office merger is about efficiencies and scale and not where patients will be sent. The Borough Council was consulted and objected and have achieved an agreement with the CCG that patients won't be sent to other local surgeries unless it is sensible to refer them to a local surgery rather than a hospital. Botley are looking to expand to increase the number of GP's consulting rooms.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.34pm.