

The Lowick & Slipton Parish Council as Sole Trustees of The Lowick Recreation Ground Charity

7.00pm Thursday May 5th 2022 via ZOOM

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Meeting ID: 894 1870 7034

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Minutes

Present: W Childs, S Gardner, L Blow, D Chipchase – S Gardner acted as Chair until W Childs arrived

In attendance: N Phillips

Apologies: A Fenton, D Campden

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes of March 16th 2022 meeting approved

Matters arising: ‘No dogs’ sign still showing despite a decision to allow dogs on leads – D Chipchase to rectify

To receive and approve the financial statement standing at £3158.62 @ 01.05.2022 – plus £450 raised at the Drayton House Christmas Carols but not yet showing up on the bank statement

To note the results of the weekly safety inspections carried out by Cllr D Chipchase and to resolve what action to be taken: No issues except work needed to barbeques. Annual safety inspection by Wicksteed Leisure to be arranged.

To receive an update on the cleaning of the safety matting from Cllr S Gardner: Work party arranged by L Blow which carried out a general clear up of branches, safety matting etc. Two of the picnic benches which were beyond repair have been removed.

To receive an update from Cllr Blow on any issues concerning the use of the Pocket Park for the Village Fete: All plans coming together, insurance arranged. If possible field to be mowed and cutting removed prior to the event – S Gardner to approach contact to see if they can carry out this work, if not, N Phillips to obtain a quote for a one off cut by contractor. Volunteers to trim down nettles etc.

To receive an update on remedial work to the benches from Cllr Campden: Slats fitted to bench as requested – one additional plank needed to complete job.

To receive an update from the Clerk on obtaining a grant to fund the planting of a willow tunnel to mark The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee: £200 grant applied for from NNC Cllrs Empowerment Fund – decision pending. S Gardner to speak to contact about best location of tunnel.

Update on other issues

- **Cllr Childs – quote for barbeque repairs:** Awaiting quote but if not forthcoming S Gardner has a contact he will approach

- **Cllr Blow - date for work party to clean matting:** See above

- **Cllr Gardner - use of pressure washing equipment:** Safety matting cleaned thanks to G Edwards

- **CLlr Gardner – mowing of field:** S Gardner carries out a 'rough' cut to the field using his 'topper', with D Cubbit mowing around the play equipment.

Action required –

- N Phillips to write and thanks S Stopford-Sackville for carol singing donation
- N Phillips to book annual safety inspection of equipment
- S Gardner to see if contact can mow field prior to Fete with N Phillips seeking quote for a one off cut if needed.
- S Gardner to seek advice on best location for the willow tunnel
- L Blow to arrange work party to carry out strimming of nettles prior to Fete.
- L Blow to speak to contact re making a child size picnic table and bench
- D Campden to purchase material to complete work to bench
- D Chipchase to remove 'no dogs' from signage

To close the meeting: Meeting closed at 7.30pm