

The Yarmouth Isle of Wight Town Council

Agenda Item 104/2021: MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE OF YARMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT CHOYD ON THURSDAY 21st OCTOBER 2021 at 10:30am.

Present: Cllr Rod Corbett, Cllr Peter Cronin, Peter Scott, Martyn Collinson

In attendance: Brian Jacobs

1. Apologies

No apologies were received

2. Minutes of the meeting 2/9/21

RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the meeting of 2/9/21

3. Matters arising from the last minutes

It was decided to discuss all matters arising under the relevant agenda item.

4. Pavilion & Hut

Cllr Corbett repeated his suggestion that the use of plasticised metal could be considered for the pavilion, as it would be low-maintenance and vandal-proof. Peter Scott additionally presented a series of options downloaded from Passmore's website, all of which were also anti-vandal. Martyn Collinson suggested that a modestly sized structure would be adequate for such events as fetes, etc. and Committee members agreed that a target size of 4m x 3m would be suitable. Cllr Corbett further suggested that security would be improved by using shuttered windows in the front of the structure, and none elsewhere. It was agreed that a suitable concrete pad should form the base and water and drainage should be connected in due course.

Cllr Cronin requested that all members should research the alternatives available with a view to discussing them at the next Rec Committee meeting. Martyn agreed to undertake a visit to Passmores when he visits Kent in the New Year.

5. Play Area

The Clerk advised that no response had yet been received from the manufacturers of the mulch matting which has been giving cause for concern.

Cllr Cronin reported that rainwater accumulation around the carousel was becoming a problem because of inadequate drainage underneath the unit and suggested removing a clay core down to the level of the underlying gravel bed might resolve this issue. He and Peter Scott undertook to carry this out.

6. Wild area and ditch maintenance

The Clerk reported that Brighstone Landscaping will be undertaking this task on 25/10, and agreed to circulate a letter to local residents advising that this would be taking place.

7. New Land drains/Additional facilities for Rec Ground

Cllr Corbett reported on the outcome of a recent site meeting with a group of local farmers and contractors about the land drain problem at the Rec and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should request them to proceed with trial digs.

It was reiterated that additional facilities cannot be considered at the Rec until the drains issue was resolved.

Cllr Cronin again circulated a rough plan he'd made for siting the goals when purchased.

The Clerk read out Brighstone Landscaping's advice on dealing with the muddy surface by the gate and this was noted.

8. Boundary with Wahroonga Tennyson Close

Bearing in mind the wishes of the owners it was agreed to recommend to the next meeting of Yarmouth Town Council that all dead elm suckers are removed, and the live ones trimmed to the height of the existing fence. The remaining vegetation would then be tidied up.

9. Next meeting

It was agreed to meet again 2/12/21 10:30 at CHOYD

10. Any Other Business

Cllr Corbett reported an area of overgrown hedge along the access passage from Victoria Road. He undertook to speak to the property owner concerned.