

**Present:** Cllrs. Lowther, O'Donnell and Andrew Eastham (7.30pm)

**In the Chair:** Cllr. Bell

**Clerk:** Michelle Curtis

**1. Apologies for Absence**

There were apologies of absence from Cllr Chambers.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest declared.

**3. Public Forum**

There were no members of the public present.

**4. Minutes**

**Minutes of the Meetings held on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Resolved:** the minutes for the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018 represented a true account of the proceedings of the meeting and were subsequently signed by the Chairman.

**5. Review Current Season**

It was a very busy season at the pool, which was mainly due to the number of visitors to the village.

The Committee discussed the various items as follows:

Litter – The additional large wheelie bin had helped reduce the amount of litter at the Pool. It was suggested that the bin is ordered earlier for the next season, dependent on the weather.

Toilets – Initially there were problems with the lack of toilet roll being supplied but therefore no further issues.

Parking – Parking was an issue at the Pool and Hard. During August 30 Penalty Charge notices were issued by the Community Protection Officers for parking offences. It was suggested a sign could be displayed at the Pool to remind people of parking restrictions.

**Action:** to be included on the agenda for consideration at the meeting in January.

Empty/Fill Process – The Chairman advised that FACT had emptied and filled the pool during the season and there were no issues. The Chairman expressed thanks to FACT for carrying this out on behalf of the Parish.

Pool Safety Checks – Again the Chairman expressed thanks to FACT for carrying out the safety checks.

On one of the safety check reports, it was noted that the ropes for the lifebelts could warrant replacing due to age.

**Action:** To be considered at January meeting.

FACT Usage

Overall it had been a successful season. There was one incident on a day in July when youth were not happy that they had limited access to the pool during one of the days when it was being used for kayaking activities. This was resolved, and FACT were able to continue to use the pool for the rest of the season.

It was agreed that further information should be published on the Parish Council website regarding the agreement between the Parish Council and FACT for the usage of the Pool for kayaking activities.

**Action:** Website to be considered at the meeting in January.

**Action:** Andrew to forward the 2019 programme for use of the pool to the Clerk for the meeting in January.

#### Future Projects

The Committee are exploring the feasibility of extending the sand profile towards the BBQ end to minimise the exposure of mud for bathers.

### **6. End of Season Maintenance**

#### **Empty/Filling arrangements for 2019**

Andrew confirmed FACT would be happy to continue emptying/filling the pool for 2019.

#### **Sluice Gate**

Once FACT had finished their activities for 2018, the end of season maintenance to the sluice gate will need to be carried out.

**Action:** Clerk to arrange end of season maintenance with Gamart Engineering.

#### **Emptying Pool for Season**

It was agreed that FACT would empty/fill the pool once a month during the winter to flush out the creek as per the previous year.

### **7. Precept 2019/20**

The Committee considered the funds that would be required for the general running of the pool in the next financial year. The Finance Committee when setting the precept would put the following costs forward for consideration.

Earmarked funds (£1000 Risk Assessment - £1000 Provision for a new sluice gate, as and when requires replacing)	£2,000
Contract (Grass cutting – Contract currently out for tender)	TBA
General Maintenance (including sluice gate annual maintenance contract)	£750
Toilets (includes additional toilet cleaning and toilet during the school holidays)	£1,100
Telephone	£400
Additional Litter Bin	£300
Community Protection Officers (additional patrols during the school holidays)	£350

### **8. Meetings 2019**

The Committee set the following dates for 2019:

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January – 7.00pm (Planning for new season)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – 7.00pm (Readying for the new season)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – 7.00pm (Pre-holiday review)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – 7.00pm (End of season review)

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.46pm.

Signed.....

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