

MINUTES of the Woodup Pool Committee meeting held in the Pavilion on Tuesday 18th April 2017 commencing at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. O'Donnell and Witney

In the Chair: Cllr. Bell

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

Committee members met at Woodup Pool at 6.30pm for an inspection, the meeting continued in the Pavilion.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies of from Cllr Slodzik and Andrew Eastham (FACT).

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest declared.

3. Minutes

a) Minutes of the Meetings held on 17th January 2017 2016

Resolved: the minutes for the 17th January 2017 represented a true account of the proceedings of the meeting and were subsequently signed by the Chairman.

b) Matters arising from the Minutes

Water Testing Bradwell

Action: Clerk to find out when the next testing will be carried out.

Max depth 2.0 metre sign needs to be cleaned behind the perspex cover.

Action: To be cleaned as part of the maintenance.

Toilets – A new concrete base had been installed suitable for two toilets.

Access – The Chairman and Clerk had spoken with Mr Frost who had no issues with access. Mr Frost has erected some temporary posts and chain across the access point.

Action: Clerk to contact Mr Frost to ensure there will be no issues with access.

Internet – The website had been updated.

Improvements wish list – new benches along the bottom of the seawall. The Clerk had forwarded quotations to the Chairman.

Pool – The Chairman confirmed he had checked the bottom of the pool on 23rd February 2017.

5. Maintenance

a) Update from FACT regarding opening/closing pool

The Chairman advised that he had met with FACT earlier that day. Rachel is responsible for emptying/filling the pool and is keeping a log of when the process is carried out. The Chairman reviewed the empty/fill process with Rachel to ensure that the pool is full.

Andrew had advised that it is believed that the flushing of the creek (emptying on the bottom of the tide) is making a difference.

b) Water testing

Action: Clerk to notify Maldon District Council of the start of the season so the necessary water testing can be carried out.

c) Check poolside

Following the inspection held at the pool, the following items required further action.

Action: Clerk to obtain a quotation to replace on the ledge on the large noticeboard (beachside).

Action: Clerk to obtain a quotation to repaint all the noticeboards before the end of May.

Action: Clerk to obtain a quotation to replace the housing of the lifebelt station (marina fence side – Woodrolfe Hard end).

Action: Clerk to order an additional sign for use of the BBQ's to be attached to the litter bin.

Action: Clerk to obtain a quotation to reposition the bench near to the toilets.

Action: Clerk to obtain a quotation for two new brown picnic tables and one multi-coloured bench.

Action: Clerk to attach signs to the outside of toilet "NO DOGS" and "WOULD YOU PLEASE WHERE POSSIBLE TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME".

d) Sluice gate maintenance and keys for lock

The maintenance for the sluice gate had been completed.

Action: Clerk to chase up regarding Gamart on the padlock.

The Chairman confirm keys to the padlock will be held by Gamart, FACT and the Clerk.

e) Confirm date for working party and toilets

The working party will be held on Saturday 6th May 2017 at 9.00am.

It was agreed the first toilet would be requested for commencing 22nd May 2017 until mid-September (depending on the weather) and the second toilet w/c 17th July – 4th September 2017.

Action: Clerk to ask Philip Pettican, Pavilion Caretaker, if he would be happy to carry out the cleaning of the toilets. The proposed pay for the additional duties is £10 for one toilet and £15 for the two toilets.

Action: Clerk to supply additional toilet roll for the facilities if required.

f) To confirm additional patrols by the Rangers

Additional patrols to be carried out by the Rangers during the six week school holidays.

The patrols to be for 1½ hours per week to include:

- Dogs in the area
- Dog fouling
- Litter
- Car parking
- Engaging with people to educate

6. **Improvement Wish List**

Councillors agreed the improvement wish list:

- a) Update signage – to discuss in October
- b) Permanent toilet block and shower facility – Clerk to arrange a meeting with Fritz to discuss proposal further.

7. **Pool Usage**

Action: Clerk to ask Cllr Slodzik if she would be happy to continue carrying out the pool safety checks.

Action: Councillors to keep a log of anything they notice during the season.

The Chairman advised a copy of the website entry on the Maldon District Council Tourist Information website had been received for comments.

Action: Clerk to request the following changes are made to the entry:

- The wording is changed from bathing pool to amenity pool.

- To include “Strictly No Dogs”
- Toilets are also available at Woodrolfe Green.
- There are parking restrictions near the amenity pool. Parking is available at Woodrolfe Green approx. 5 min walk.
- The Parish Council would kindly request that you take your litter when possible.
- Any donations towards the upkeep of the pool would be appreciated. Donations should be sent to the Parish Council.

8. Date of the next Meeting

Tuesday 17th October 2017 – End of season review.

The Chairman stated is there are any issues at the pool during the season it may be necessary to hold a mid-season meeting

Signed.....

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