

**Present:** Cllrs Chamber, Ferneyhough, St Joseph

**In the Chair:** Cllr Lowther

**Clerk:** Michelle Curtis

**1. Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence. All members were present.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

**3. Public Forum**

There were no members of the public present.

**4. Minutes**

**Minutes of the Meetings held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Resolved:** the minutes for the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 represented a true account of the proceedings of the meeting. Unanimously agreed.

The Chairman signed the Minutes.

**5. Maintenance Works**

The Clerk reported that Cllr St Joseph and herself had met with a Contractor regarding the painting of various items at the Recreation Ground. The quotation had not yet been received.

The Clerk advised at the meeting with the Contractor it was noticed that there were several rust holes in the skate park. The Clerk had requested a quotation from Gamart Engineering to carry out repairs.

The Committee considered the quotation for a wetpour repair kit.

**Action:** The Chairman to measure the area where the repair was required.

The Clerk had also requested a quotation to upgrade the extractor fans in the men's changing room. The quotation had not yet been received.

**6. Precept 2023/24**

The Committee considered the funds required for the Recreation Ground's general running in the next financial year.

The total value of the assets for the Recreation Ground was approx. £467,000 (including buildings), the Recreation Ground Committee would propose that £7,000 be set aside in earmarked funds for much-needed building repair works (windows, roof, guttering), tree survey and emergency works (trees).

The recommendations would be put forward to the Finance Committee for consideration when setting the precept.

Earmarked Funds – Recreation Ground	£7,000
Contract (Grass cutting)	£8,700
General Maintenance	£2,600
Pitch	£500

**7. Other Matters**

Cllr Chambers agreed to look into funding opportunities for improvement works to the Pavilion.

Cllr St Joseph reported that more work was required on the skate ramps as they are rusting, and quite large holes are appearing. The Committee may wish to consider whether to continue repairing or removing in the 2024/25 budget.

Cllr St Joseph reported that Tollesbury Climate Partnership had been chosen as one of the recipients of a tree from The Tree of Trees Living Sculpture that stood outside Buckingham Palace in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The proposed area to plant the tree is at the Recreation Ground on the right, heading towards the play area.

The Committee were all in support of the proposed location.

Cllr St Joseph advised that the tree from The Tree of Trees Living Sculpture and other trees will be planted on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022. It is hoped that the Lord Lieutenant will also be able to attend the planting event.

Due to football training and matches on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022, it was suggested that the planting take place at around 11 am.

**8. Next Meeting**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50 pm.

Signed.....

Date:.....