

Present: Cllrs. Ferneyhough, Goldie, Rogers
Non-voting Member: Andrew Eastham

In the Chair: Cllr. Hawes

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

1. Chairman

Cllr Rogers nominated Cllr Hawes to be Chairman of the Woodup Pool Committee. The nomination was unanimously agreed. Cllr Hawes was declared Chairman of the Woodup Pool Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

2. Vice-Chairman

Cllr Hawes nominated Cllr Rogers to be Vice-Chairman of the Woodup Pool Committee. The nomination was unanimously agreed. Cllr Rogers was declared Vice-Chairman of the Woodup Pool Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

3. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence, all members were present.

4. Declarations of Interest

Mr Eastham disclosed personal interests as follows:

- Membership of Tollesbury Sailing Club and is also a Committee Member.
- Mr Eastham works for Fellowship Afloat Charitable Trust (FACT) and is a Director for Tollesbury Saltings.

5. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

6. Minutes

Minutes of the Meetings held on 6th October 2022

Resolved: the minutes for the 6th October 2022 represented a true account of the proceedings of the Meeting. Unanimously agreed by those who were present.

The Chairman signed the Minutes.

7. Woodup Pool Committee

The Chairman updated the new Committee members on the operation of the pool and how the Committee works. The Clerk had circulated the calender of works to the Committee.

8. General Maintenance

8.1 Review of Works and General maintenance works required

The following works have recently been completed:

- Clearance of the access along the toe of the footpath
- Repairs to the fence
- Spraying of grass encroaching the beach area

- Installation of new lifebuoys and removal of old lifebuoys and signage housing
- Delivery of sand

The Clerk confirmed that she had notified Maldon District Council that the pool was open and asked them to carry out water testing as per previous years.

The Committee discussed the increased weed in the salt pool this year. The Committee were unsure why there was an increase this year, and it was suggested that this might be due to the pool not being emptied during the winter the last two years.

As it was too late for anything to be done this summer, it was agreed that the Committee would consider and investigate options and discuss further at the October meeting.

The Committee discussed the issue of litter at the pool. Recently someone had thrown two litter bins and their contents into the pool. In addition, during warm periods, people leave their rubbish behind. The Committee discussed whether more bins were needed at the pool or whether the large wheelie bin was required throughout the season, not just during school holidays.

Action: Clerk to ask Maldon District Council if they can provide the statistics on usage of the Woodup Pool litter bins.

8.2 Summer school holidays

The Clerk reported that she had booked the additional toilet for the school holidays. It will be delivered on 17/07/23.

The Community Protection Officers had been booked as per the Service Level Agreement.

Action: Clerk to arrange a date for a Working Party to be held to prepare the pool for the school holidays.

Action: Clerk to book the large green wheelie bin for the school holiday period.

9. Bike Racks

At the previous meeting of the Parish Council, Tollesbury Climate Partnership (TCP) suggested the installation of bike racks at Woodup Pool.

The Committee suggested the following locations for the installation of bike racks:

- 1) Between the tree and the concrete pad used for the hire toilets – this is the preferred location.
- 2) At the far end of the pool where the emergency telephone was located – this would need to be checked with the Risk Assessor as this is near the deep end.

10. Other Matters

The Chairman reported:

- The Woodup Pool Event is being held on 24th June 2023.
- An email from a visitor to Woodup Pool had been received asking why the

mud was black.

Action: Clerk to respond to advised that it is mud/silt

- An email was received from a resident concerning the weed.
The Clerk said she had responded to the resident to advise that the Committee is aware of the issue and looking into it.

11. Next Meeting

Tuesday 10th October 2023 – 7.00 pm in the Pavilion

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.45pm.

Signed.....

Date:.....