

NEWENT RECREATION GROUND TRUST

(Charity Number 301585)

Minutes of the Newent Recreation Ground Trust virtual meeting on Monday 12th October 2020 at 8.57 pm

Present: Cllrs Mrs C Howley, Mrs G Moseley, Mrs S Marcovecchio, R Beard, Mrs R Wadley, A Ralph, Heathfield, Mrs J Gooch, Mrs K Draper, Ms C Birkan
Also present – The Trust Secretary

1. To elect a Chairman for the meeting

Resolved: Cllr Mrs Howley was appointed as Chairman. **Record of Voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs Draper, Seconded Cllr Mrs Moseley, All in favour.

2. To accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Duffield and Mrs Odhiambo

3. Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda

None.

4. To approve Minutes of the meeting held on 24th August 2020

Resolved: The Minutes of the Recreation Ground Trust meeting held 24th August were approved. **Record of Voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs Draper, Seconded Cllr Mrs Wadley, 9 in favour, 1 abstention.

5. To consider response required to correspondence

5.1 A resident – Request for trees to be trimmed

A discussion took place regarding the letter received from a resident.

Some councillors felt that the tree did not require trimming, however, it was recognised that the lady in question was having difficulty with the internet, she lives alone and due to Covid-19 and lockdown she is feeling more isolated, the requirement for people to have internet access is also becoming more necessary for everyday situations such as Doctors etc.

Resolved: The Council to contact an internet provider to receive advice regarding the tree, could the trees bows interfere with internet access? If so, we request our tree surgeon to have a quick look at the tree to see if some bows could be trimmed, a compromise to alleviate the problem caused, we may need to suggest to the lady concerned that her internet access needs to be via a wired system, should the tree bows not be the problem. **Record of Voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs Wadley, Seconded Cllr Mrs Gooch, All in favour.

6. To approve design drawings for the Community Building

Cllr Beard gave background information regarding the proposed community build, the monies having been received from S106 funding. Drawings need to be agreed to allow Calfordseadon to move forward and go out to builders for tender.

It was queried why do we need to approve the drawings, had we not already received planning approval? Cllr Beard explained that minor internal issues had been tweaked in the original plans, these are now detailed plans, intricate and as required to go out to builders, and enable them to tender

Further debate took place. **Resolved:** The design drawings supplied by Calfordseadon are accepted and Calfordseadon are instructed to begin the tender process. **Record of Voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs Draper, Seconded Cllr Mrs Moseley, 6 in favour, 4 against.

7. Any other urgent business

None.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

(Minutes taken by Cllr Mrs Howley)