



Minutes of Amenities Committee hybrid meeting held at Mynydd Isa Community Centre on Wednesday 15 February 2023 at 6pm.

PRESENT

Committee Members: Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr Jack Morris, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Miriam Shepherd

In attendance: Clerk - Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies:

Cllr I Jolly, Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Uzma Sikander, Assistant Clerk Janet Jones

2. Declaration of Interests.

None.

3. Picnic Benches

Clerk advised that, following requests from residents in the area, work has been done towards a grant application to purchase picnic benches for some more of the green spaces in the area. There are already picnic tables in Y Bonc, but there is space for more to be had in Wats Dyke Park, New Brighton Park, Argoed Park and the Quarry. The picnic tables would be made from either sustainable wood or recycled plastic. Consideration needs to be given on whether the tables should be fixed in place or left with the ability of being moved. The Area Coordinator from Streetscene has been consulted and is happy with either option. It was noted that the picnic tables that are currently outside at New Brighton Community Centre have not been vandalised or moved away from the area. It was considered that if the picnic tables attracted anti-social behaviour, they could be moved/removed if not fixed.

Resolved: To continue working towards making a grant application for picnic benches, the number, type and location of them to be agreed at a future meeting.

4. Notice Boards for Photograph Trail

In order to increase community engagement and to highlight the biodiversity in our area, a photographic competition was suggested, together with the suggestion that winning entries could be displayed within the community and hopefully encourage residents to walk/cycle the area and explore. A grant application is being drafted, to purchase notice boards by which the photographs may be displayed. Consideration is being given to notice boards which will allow the photographs to

be changed at a nominal cost going forward. After discussion, it was suggested that a QR code could also be put on the notice board, with links to the website and information about the area.

Resolved: To proceed with drafting the grant application.

To launch a photograph competition to celebrate the King's Coronation and gauge the public's response to the idea of a photograph competition.

5. ASA Garage Door

Clerk advised that the garage door at the ASA garage that we lease is sticking and there is an ongoing concern that it will break completely if not maintained now. Two quotes have been received, one to replace the door completely and the other to adjust the door fit within the frame and then service and repair the garage door, to allow the door to shut correctly and the latches to engage.

Resolved: To accept the quote to have the existing door serviced and repaired.

Meeting ended 6.55pm

Next meeting due to be held on 15 March 2023.