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Minutes of Community Assets Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd September 2021 at 7.00pm.

In attendance – Cllrs. Jordan (Chair), Bloomfield, Chambers, Baines and Norton, and the Deputy Clerk. Mr. A. Hamilton and Mrs. A. Norton were also present.

1. Chair's Welcome – Cllr. Jordan welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence – Cllrs. Spademan, Botha and Williams – **APPROVED**.

3. Declaration of Interest To allow Parish Councillors to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Pecuniary or Registerable Non-Pecuniary interest on any matters covered by this Agenda – Cllr. Baines declared an interest on agenda item 11 a) and b).

4. Public Participation Chair to invite members of the public to indicate if they wish to speak at this meeting either on an agenda item or on a general matter not on this agenda – Mr. A. Hamilton spoke about his desire to see more planting of colourful bulbs and flowers on the green spaces around the parish, and mentioned his company, Blooming-Colchester, and how he would be able to provide the plants and help with the planting.

5. Presentation from Caloo. Richard Taylor gave details of Caloo's proposal for the play areas at Lucy Lane South and Silver Witch Green and answered councillors' questions about the plans.

6. Minutes of the Community Assets Committee Meeting of Wednesday 21st July 2021 previously circulated – **APPROVED**.

7. Dept. Clerk's Report/Update with Financial Report – **NOTED and APPROVED**.

8. Burial Ground Sub-Committee:

NOTED that Trevor Manning's family hope to have an unveiling of his memorial stone on 8th November, and more information would be provided at the October meeting.

9. Play Areas and Open Spaces:

a) Silver Witch Green and Lucy Lane South playground upgrade

After discussion of tender documents received from Sovereign and Caloo the councillors **AGREED** to proceed with proposal from Caloo. On consideration of budget planning councillors stated that they would proceed with Lucy Lane South upgrade this year, and, with the hope of gaining additional grant funding, follow with the upgrade of Silver Witch Green in the next financial year. The councillors requested that some changes be made to the plans for Lucy Lane South, reusing one piece of equipment, to reduce the cost. They also requested that the Deputy Clerk contact Caloo to ask for further information about the cost of disposal of the replaced equipment, and whether additional value could be obtained from scrap metal sales and included in the final quotation.

10. Other Assets:

a) Swan Green Bus Shelter – Dept. Clerk asked to reconfirm with Colne Contracts that work will commence on 29th September. If there was going to be a further delay, then to contact C.S. Mason to see if

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their quotation for the work remained unchanged, and whether they would be available to undertake the work. Financial details for this project to be circulated to the councillors.

b) Review problem of additional rubbish at Sports Field and increase bin capacity – Deputy Clerk to write to Stanway Villa to request that removed MacDonald bins be painted black and then placed on the Sports Field on the already existing concrete bases. Deputy Clerk to write to SVHMC to request whether a larger bin could be placed in the carpark, in, size permitting, either:

i/ on right hand side of door to Tollgate shed, or

ii/ under the fire escape below the Conference Room.

Deputy Clerk to investigate option of leasing large bin from TBS or look at lease options with other contractors like SVHMC arrangement.

11. Village Hall Complex:

a) To consider proposal that SVHMC install EVCPs on the side of the Village Hall – APPROVED.

b) To consider proposal that SVHMC plant trees along boundary fence as a noise barrier – APPROVED.

12. To consider budget proposals for 2022/23 and onwards – Councillors discussed various options and **AGREED** to give item further consideration and contact Deputy Clerk before October meeting with further suggestions and ideas.

13. Items for Committees/next Council Meeting - To receive and consider requests for items to be included on agendas for future meetings, other committees or Full Council: **NONE**.

14. The date of the next Community Assets Committee Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 20th October 2021 at 7.00pm** in the Committee Room, Victory Hall.

Chair closed meeting at 9.38pm.