TUTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Open Spaces Committee meeting minutes.

Charity House Duke Street, Tutbury on Monday 8th July 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present – Chris Dodds- chair, Francis Crossley, Lydia Crossley, Mary Upton.

07/24/OS/01- Apologies – Dave Morris, Pete Steadman- non attendee.

07/24/OS/02 - Declarations of Interest.-Resolved to receive declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests). – None declared.

07/24/OS/03 - Public Participation. - None.

07/24/OS/04 – To consider and approve repairs to Ferrers Avenue boundary fence –

The chair received a quote from the previous contractor for repairs to the existing Chestnut Pale fence totaling £350. Members voted in favour accept the quote and get the works carried out as soon as possible. It was also agreed that following the repairs that laminated Parish Council notices be stapled in prominent places stating that public monies has paid for these works and must be respected. The chair has agreed to word an appropriate statement.

Resolution

To accept a quote of £350 to repair Ferrers Avenue fence and to investigate eresting signs not to vandalize it.

07/24/OS/05 - To review security requirements for Cornmill Lane, consider and approve parish council support for ward enhancement ESBC funding- A site meeting was held at Cornmill Lane with a Tutbury Tigers representative to discuss their idea of a security camera installation. Their idea is to install a security camera on an 8m high pole to give a panoramic view of the area. Having made enquiries with East Staffordshire Borough Council (ESBC) they have discovered that they will need planning permission. The committees view is that if they wish to pursue it they are free to at their own cost. They will also require permission from the Parish Charities as landowners. Cllr F Crossley reported that Tutbury Tigers grant bid for the access road upgrade has not progressed. Cllrs Crossley and Bull will meet with Tutbury Tigers this Thursday to discuss both matters. If the grant bid is not going ahead then the Parish Council will progress the bid.

07/24/OS/06 – To review requirements to repair St Mary's church wall

Cllr F Crossley informed the committee that emails have been received from the diocese. The Church has a Quinquennial inspection each year (basically a site safety visit) which is carried out by their Architect. This year's inspection was due in March but to date has not happened. The Parish Council clerk will contact the Parochial Church Council regarding the inspection and that we wish to be informed and be present to discuss the wall repairs.

07/24/OS/07 – To review the playing field maintenance requirements and removal of steel goal posts- members are still to review.

07/24/OS/08 – To consider grant funding for Ferrers Avenue playing field improvements, ward enhancement scheme, J&O Lloyd Grants, Sports England Grants-several ideas were discussed but as the land only has a 3 year lease it was felt that we needed more clarity on duration going forward.

07/24/OS/09 – Chairs report- Tutbury Tigers have requested the hedges to be cut back at Cornmill Lane. As this is part of the mowing contract the contractor will be aware of the requirements. Usually between March and September they are left due to birds nesting. Enquiries have been made from residents at Heritage Park about the hedges in their area not being maintained. There is a responsibility agreement between Peveril Homes and ESBC in place which the open space chair will pursue.

07/24/OS/10 – Items for the next agenda- Ferrers Avenue, Mill Fleam, Grant for access road at Cornmill Lane.

07/24/OS/11- Date of the next meeting- 9th September.