

HARWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 9th August 2011 at 7.30pm in the Recreation Ground Pavilion

Present: Mr D Marsh, Mrs K Beswick OBE Mrs S Gaspar Mrs D Turner
Ms D Greenfield Mr G Buxton Mr M Fox-Davies

One member of the public: Mrs S. Greatbanks (Chair Playground Committee)

Apologies: Mr S Davison, Mrs D Boughton-Waite , Ms K Hawthorne, Mrs S Taylor (Clerk)

1. Open Forum / Representations from members of the public

Mrs Greatbanks was invited to report on the progress of the Playground Committee.

She said that the committee had reviewed many brochures, and had had site visits from four firms who have submitted reports and estimates for work to be done ranging from 30 to 70 thousand pounds.

Committee members have visited other local play areas, and have surveyed needs in the village by consulting with user organizations.

The committee has also had valuable advice from the Oxford Playing Fields Association.

The committee proposes to use a Landscape Architect to oversee the project.

They have applied for two smaller grants (£5K and £2K) and are applying to WRENS for a grant of £50,000 and to VWHDC for a community grant of £5k. This application is due by the end of August.

2. Playground Committee. To discuss the proposed terms of reference (attached), and to agree that *The Terms of Reference for the Playground Committee are agreed by the Parish Council*

The council discussed the proposed terms of reference in detail and made several amendments to the draft.

Mr Marsh, seconded by Mr Buxton, proposed that the wording of the resolution be amended by adding *as amended in the meeting* after *Terms of Reference*, and at the end, *and may be signed by the Parish Council Chairman and the Playground Committee Chair*. This was agreed nem con.

Mr Marsh, seconded by Mrs Turner, then proposed the amended resolution, which was agreed nem con. The final resolution is that *The Terms of Reference, as amended in the meeting, for the Playground Committee are agreed by the Parish Council and may be signed by the Parish Council Chairman and the Playground Committee Chair*

3. Any Other Business

None

With no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.