

SOUTH BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Open Spaces Committee held on Monday 14 May 2018 at approximately 8.30 p.m. (following a Parish Council meeting), in The Old School Centre, Totnes Road, South Brent.

Open Forum: nothing was raised.

OS 1-5-18 Record of members present

Cllr Peter Kelly in the Chair, Cllrs Carol Doree, John Rawlinson, Heidi Rodriguez; Glyn Richards and Julia Willoughby clerk to the Council were present.

OS 2-5-18 Apologies for absence

Cllr Sue Gaskin has sent her apologies.

OS 3-5-18 Declarations of interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

None declared.

OS 4-5-18 Consider the granting of dispensations

No applications.

OS 5-5-18 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

None.

OS 6-5-18 Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting and report any matters arising – for information only

Minutes of the last meeting on 6 November 2017 were confirmed and signed.

OS 7-5-18 Request to be made to the Council for the release of S 106 funds for Parish Council projects (see OSSR Plan) including quote for play area fencing

The Committee will recommend to the Parish Council **the S 106 application includes replacement equipment installation at the Sanderspool Cross play area (inclusive orbit and 'Atlanta Plus') £33,660 + VAT (agreed following public consultation) and the play area fencing and gates are replaced (and protected from strimming) £7,839.** (This is part of the play area renewal carried out in recent years.)

In addition, there are Earmarked Reserves held, DNP Community Fund could assist with match funding and the Council has already spent £9,500 on replacement swings.

OS 8-5-18 Update on the following:

- A. Station Yard: the Chairman reported a collapsed drain has been repaired for £200. **Repair of potholes will need to be considered** in future.
- B. Vicarage Road Allotment Field: there are 10 on the waiting list and weekend working sessions on communal areas have been taking place.
- C. Grounds maintenance: weed spraying in the centre of the village and of Wellington Square will be checked with the contractor.
- D. Railway Wood: report dates of inspections carried out, and plan future inspections. Inspections have been carried out. Future inspections: May – PK, June – PK, Jul - HR. The repaired steps look very good; there was a Family Fun Day at the end of April (SSB) and the BMX track created is not an issue.
- E. Play area at Sanderspool Cross any repairs or maintenance required, including an update from the park keeper.

At the beginning of March with the first snowfall the wallgate had a burst pipe; this could not be turned off at the stopcock and there was no access to the wallgate. Our District Councillor will be copied into further enquiries about repairs. As an alternative, anti-bacterial foam is not practical if children fall over in mud. The binoculars which are part of the infant multi-play have been detached; fixings will cost £45 and will be ordered.

F. Bus shelters - consider any works required. Graffiti has appeared again and will be investigated.

The Committee recommends **damaged guttering on the Millennium bus shelter is removed.**

OS 9-5-18 Annual inspection of seats, troughs, signs etc. any works required to be reported to the clerk

The Chairman has inspected all seats etc. listed:

(F) The Committee recommends **the seat at Splatton is replaced with a wooden one.** Some amendments and additions to the list were noted.

OS 10-5-18 Any items for the next agenda, and the date of the next meeting

The next meeting will take place on 30 July 2018.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.