**HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held at the

Pool Office at 7.00 p.m. on 18th July 2017.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Present: | | Councillors Bill Hanley; P Mander; J Marsden; H Rodgers; S. Turner and P Whitney |
| In attendance: | | C F Cave (RFO); A Jones (Clerk); C M Wilkinson (Marketing); M Wellington (Pool Manager). |
| 042/17 |  | Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Bridget Hanley; G Foy (Assistant Manager) and Ashley Watts (Professional Adviser). |
| 043/17 |  | C. Wilkinson, M. Wellington and A. Watts declared an interest because of their employment at the pool. |
| 044/17 |  | Order of business was varied to deal with the decision on which contractor to appoint for finishing work on the solarium and installing the lift. This was moved to ‘matters arising’ |
| 045/17 |  | There was no public participation. |
| 046/17 |  | **The Minutes of the SPC meeting** of 21st June had been circulated. The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair. |
| 047/17 | .1 | **Matters Arising.**  It was discussed that HPC had paid Hurst’s for the purchase of the lift, but that money had not been handed over to Terry’s the lift manufacturer. It was understood that HPC did not owe Hurst’s sufficient outstanding money to be able to recover the cost of the lift. The RFO advised that the paperwork be checked to ascertain if the cost of the lift could be claimed from the architects Professional Indemnity Insurance. |
|  | .2 | It was noted that the guttering had not been properly sealed. |
|  | .3 | The quotes for completion of the building work were considered. After consideration of timing and Health & Safety concerns it was agreed that the quote from Abbeycliffe Renovations Limited be approved with the preference that the work be deferred until September when the pool would be quieter. Abbeycliffe to be asked to confirm their availability for this timescale. |
|  | .4 | Professional Adviser Ashley Watts had agreed to draft a brief of the services required of pool specialist consultants to advise on improvements to the pool filtration system, and also to advise the Clerk of 3+ appropriate specialist consultants to request a quote for their services. Mike Wellington will contact Ash to ask for a timescale on this. |
| 048/17 |  | **Report of the Marketing/Fundraising Group** |
|  |  | Merchandise went well at Gala week. The first batch (half the order) of towels had sold. The Friday swim was sold out. There had been no complaints, all positive feedback and staff were highly praised. There had been no issues over the Hilly with parking or the MUGA. The complaints about paint marks on the roads had been responded to positively with an offer to clear up the marks. However, it was agreed that ‘no permanent traces’ to be left after the event would be a future stipulation in the contract for hire of the pool as part of a triathlon event. |
| 049/17 |  | **Plant /Machinery and Operational Issues.** |
|  |  | The hoovers had packed in and been sent for urgent repair. There was a problem with a tap in the toilets and the plumber had been called. There was a repair needed to a shower seal which Mike will fix. It was suggested that signs asking swimmers to shower before entering the pool should be facing them as they came out of the changing rooms. It was suggested that there be frequent tannoy messages asking people to remember to shower before entering the pool. It was noted that a new PA system was one of the items on the 5 year plan list. |
| 050/17 |  | **Clerk’s Report/Correspondence.** Nothing to report. It was noted that the confirmation of the car park capacity was still awaited (13th June minute 023/17.3) |
| 051/17 |  | **Solarium Development and Funding.** |
|  |  | The floor has now been repainted/resurfaced with a non-slip paint which is a big improvement. |
|  |  | Cllr Mander will query with Polysolar for details of their subcontractor with a view to getting the guttering properly sealed.  Page 1 of 2. Chair’s Initials …………………………………………….. Date: 8th August 2017. |
| 052/17 |  | **Staff.** Four new members of staff had been appointed. These were all people who had been on the waiting list and doing voluntary training in preparation for a vacancy arising. The new staff are on the books to enable them to provide cover for absences. The waiting list is now clear so any future vacancies will need tobe advertised.  It was asked if photographs and names of the new staff could be circulated to SPC members. |
| 053/17 |  | **Finance.** |
|  | .1 | Season Ticket sales are 16 less than last year, mainly down on Out of Area Adults. However daily admissions are £13k up on last year. |
|  | .2 | School Swimming Lesson charges were reviewed. SPC recommends £65 per ½ hour to take to HPC August meeting. |
|  | .3 | We are still awaiting final registration with FIT to enable us to quantify the financial benefit of the solar panel electricity generation, |
| 054/17 |  | **Any other Business.** |
|  |  | Caretaker’s shed. It was noted that the removal of the Caretaker’s shed had been proposed by the June 13th SPC meeting with the intention that it be approved at HPC on 11th July, but this had been overlooked. This will need to be approved on 1st August. |
| 055/17 |  | The next meeting of the SPC will be on 8th August 2017. No agenda items were noted. |
| 056/17 |  | It was agreed that an agenda item for the September SPC meeting will be to review a draft of the 5 years plan. |
|  |  | The meeting closed at 7:35 pm.  Page 2 of 2: Chair’s Signature …………………………………………. Date: 8th August 2017. |