

AMENITIES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2021

ON LINE at 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillors

Rory Francis (Chair)

Erwyn Jones

Mark Thomas

Ronwen Roberts

Bedwyr Gwilym

Gwenlli Evans

1. APOLOGIES: Councillor:

Glyn Daniels

Annwen Daniels

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Gwenlli Evans (item 10 CCTV Antur Stiniog)

Councillor Ronwen Roberts (item 10 CCTV Antur Stiniog)

3. ROSPA ANNUAL SURVEY PLAYGROUNDS

The Committee discussed the annual RoSPA reports.

Crazy Golf – need to put the equipment together not done, but on a maintenance officer's work list.

The Park - A number of high risk points have been noted on the Activity Trail, rotting wooden posts. Medium risk points are on header block.

It was noted that GL Jones has provided a quotation for high and medium risk work following the RoSPA reports which amount to £9,000. The total includes wet pour in Cae Gild but does not include Parc's Activity Trail, just repairs, and no new posts to the Bryn Coed zip wire, only inspection work.

Recommendation: Accept the information. In the current financial year the Park receives the highest expenditure. The Committee recommends that work on the Birdsnestswing and quote on the Activity Route be prioritized.

Equipment needs to be painted as soon as possible.

If there is any budget left, replace zip wire posts at Cae Bryn Coed.

It was noted that an order was in with GL Jones for the stepping posts and birdsnest swing and we need an update on the work.

4. PLAYGROUND MONTHLY REPORTS

The Committee discussed the playing field monthly reports.

Lots of rubbish in the playing fields, although Criccieth Cleaning was emptying everything every Wednesday.

Grass needed to cut some of the playing fields.

Recommend: To receive the reports. Ask Dref Werdd if it is possible to collaborate to send a letter to the local schools regarding the litter problem in our playgrounds.

Owain Aeron will cut the grass in all the playgrounds by the end of September.

5. MAINTENANCE OFFICER WORK LIST (SEPTEMBER 2021)

The Committee discussed the list. Number of jobs added to the list in the second week of the month.

Recommend: To receive the information.

6. THE SKATE PARK

The Committee discussed the work needed to be done at the Skate Park.

A quotation of £ 64,000 has been received for new equipment (this is a mid range quotation) and one quote of £ 3358.09, + VAT for the repairs, including the installation of 2 new litter bins in the skate park.

It was discussed that if there is expenditure on new equipment, perhaps the Council should look at changing the location of the Skate Park, and look at a concrete park, which costs a lot more, but the maintenance costs would be low.

The location of the skate park now, may add to the anti-social behaviour and a busy road has to be crossed to access the site. Possible to look at a new location like the Park? It will be necessary to consult with youth and local residents.

Recommendation: To discuss the possibility of new equipment and location in the next few months. To accept the quote for the repair of the equipment (deducting £ 1279.96 for the litter bins as this work has already been done)

7. LAND AT TAN Y MANOD - UPDATE

The Clerk updated the Committee. The dog had been moved, the shed had been taken down, and "No Dogs" signs had been installed.

The Council has received a grant from Keep Wales Tidy. The plants will arrive at the office within two weeks. Will need to decide who is going to be responsible for their care until they are

able to be planted. A number of grants are currently available including from the WoodlandGrants and TransportWales.

Recommendation: A working group will need to be organised. Have an action plan and consult with local schools and residents. Councilors to meet on site at 5.30pm on Friday 24 September 2021. Online public meeting on 30th September 2021. Councilor Rory Francis to ask Dref Werdd if their plans are available. Councilor Gwenlli Evans is going to ask Manod Primary School if the school is interested in working on the project. The planting will have to take place in the Autumn. Councilor Marc Thomas is going to look after the plants until planting.

8.Planning Application

Planning Application No.C21 / 0746/03 / YA

Mr Peter Humphreys

Caer Y Fran, Blaenau Ffestiniog, LL41 4AL

Agriculture Shed to keep equipment.

Link <https://amg.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/planning/index.htmlfa=getApplication&id=32118>

Recommendation: No Objection

9. Invoice Viking

Recommendation: To pay the invoice

10. Any Urgent Business

CCTV at Antur Stiniog building

COUNCILLOR RONWEN ROBERTS and GWENLLI EVANS – DECLARED AN INTEREST AND LEFT THE MEETING

The Clerk was informed that the cctv system at Antur Stiniog is not working. Kevin (who maintains the system) informed the Clerk that a new recorder is needed, at a cost of £ 485 + Vat and insulation charge of £ 25.00. Antur Stiniog have agreed to pay £100 towards the cost.

Recommendation: Agree to the work to be done.

MEETING ENDED AT 9.00pm