



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST 2024 AT 19:30 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE CAR PARK.

Present.

Cllrs G Boyle (chair), R Dunning, T Symons, M Pibworth, D Freestone, J Bailey, J Hawkins and A Hemmings.

In attendance: 19 members of public of which 9 were young people and Clerk D Dunning.

Public Participation

The Chair of council welcomed everyone and outlined the meeting format.

A member of public outlined her opinions on the need to fundraise for more facilities to benefit the whole community. These have been submitted to the council and will appear on the agenda for 21st August as correspondence received. She believes the council could do better.

A younger member of the public outlined his views on the need for new equipment at St Aldams which he thinks is a great space and argued that the previous provision had been good and should be replaced.

A mother spoke on behalf of her son who wants to see more play equipment for older children. She reiterated the lack of provision for older children and teenagers noting there had been some anti-social behaviour and how new equipment could help reduce this as it gives a focus for the young. She would like to see more family orientated provision and stressed the importance of encouraging children to do more physical activities.

2024/08/07 No 1. To consider and approve a project aimed at improving play provision for older children by installing a replacement play/agility area at St Aldams play area.

The Chair provided background context. St Aldams was aimed at older children but over time the wooded equipment has perished. Limited by financial constraints, careful research has identified funding streams which match some of the parish's needs as identified in the play consultation, address known inequalities and present an opportunity to provide equipment for older children, especially girls to become more physically active.

Resolved unanimously to approve project.

2024/08/07 No 2. To agree applications for grant funding from Suez Communities and Sports England and delegate responsibility to chair/vice chair and clerk to meet submission deadlines.

Resolved unanimously to apply for funding and delegated responsibility to the Chair/Vice Chair and Clerk to submit applications within deadlines.

2024/08/07 No 3. To approve the tender process and associated programme of actions.

Minor changes to the text were noted and agreed.

Resolved unanimously to approve tender process and associated programme of actions and timescales.

2024/08/07 No 4. To note this project is dependent on obtaining the full amounts of grant funding requested.

Noted.

Meeting closed at 19:41