# Banwell Recreation Ground Charity No. 304472

# Minutes of a Meeting of the Trustees held at 7pm on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at Banwell Childrens Centre

<u>PRESENT</u>: Phil Hale (Chairman), Phil Adams, Phil Baird, Paul Blatchford, Steve Davies, Paul Harding, Nick Manley and Maggie McCarthy..

#### 36/19 Apologies for Absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Dawn Parry

## 37/19 To Receive any Declarations of Interest (agenda item 2)

None received.

## 38/19 Minutes of the Meeting of the Trustees held on 17th June, 2019 (agenda item 3)

**Resolved –** That the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### Steve Davies joined the meeting

# 39/19 To receive a proposal from Rachel Siaens and Jody Owen concerning erecting a Community Café on the Recreation Ground and to agree a way forward (agenda item 4)

Rachel Siaens and Jody Owen gave a brief presentation to the Trustees in relation to erecting a tearoom on the recreation ground.

Trustees asked questions in relation to;

- How the project would be funded
- What would happen to the building if the business failed
- Toilet facilities
- Utilities and whether there were any presently onsite
- Opening hours
- Winter vs Summer use
- The need for them to have a business plan
- The Council's planned improvements to the Recreation Ground

**Resolved –** That the Clerk contact the Charity Commission to identify any implications for the Trust that might arise from the proposed use whilst Rachel Siaens and Jody Owen investigate local interest and firm up on their proposals for an informal discussion with trustees later in the year.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

# 40/19 To discuss the Recreation ground Trust bench in the Toddler area and agree a way forward (agenda item 5)

Cllr Blatchford updated the trustees on the informal meeting that had been held with adjacent residents at the Recreation Ground on the 6<sup>th</sup> July concerning the location of the bench. At the meeting the residents proposed that the bench should be re-located to the position of an existing metal bench in the toddlers play area which would then be further away from their property boundary

**Resolved –** The Clerk to obtain written confirmation from the residents of their agreement to the repositioning of the bench to the location as suggested by them and for it to be moved as part of the planned works to the Recreation Ground.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

## 42/19 To note the Parish Councils Recreation Ground end of June's budget (agenda item 6)

The Parish Councils Recreation Ground end of June's budget was noted

# 43/19 To Consider Any Other Urgent Other Issues Relating to the Recreation Ground (agenda item 7)

- (i) The Clerk was asked to investigate the legal position in relation to whether the trust would be wound up if it held funds of less than £5000 as another local Charity have had this difficulty.
- (ii) It was requested that for future agendas this item heading be changed to 'Matters for Information'.

#### 44/19 Date of the next meeting (agenda item 8)

To be determined

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