

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the **COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** of Coleshill Town Council held in the Town Hall, High Street, Coleshill on Wednesday 14 September 2016.

PRESENT: Councillor Farrell in the Chair
Councillors: Battle, Farrow, Jones and Wallace
Also in attendance: Cllrs. Breeze and Richardson

24 APOLOGIES

No apologies – full attendance.

25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

26 REPAIRS TO THE MEMORIAL PARK UPPER FOOTBALL PITCH

The Town Clerk had sought quotations from various pitch repair companies. The first company to visit was yet to quote but suggested shock-waving the ground (a form of aeration treatment) at the start and finish of the football season. It also suggested the gaps in grass coverage could be treated with a top dresser mix but that this could be done in the spring 2017 if there was no urgency to get the pitch playable in 2016. He felt there were no drainage problem as they would have shown up in the form of surface water or darker sections of grass.

It was the view of Cllr. Wallace that it was highly unlikely that the low trough towards the southern end of the upper pitch running west to east had been caused by historic ploughing practices. Furthermore, she was under the impression that she had been assured, as part of the working group, that a drainage survey had taken place. She wanted a drainage investigation to still take place, for instance by radar surveillance of the grounds.

Cllr. Jones agreed with need for a drainage survey as part of the pitch repair advice and recommended Greensleeves of Coleshill should be asked to quote. He asked that all members be kept advised of the quotations. The Chairman was supportive of the proposal to obtain three quotations for pitch repair and drainage examination and this was **CARRIED** nem con.

27 MEMORIAL PARK TENNIS COURT ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

The Chairman introduced the report, suggesting there was a need to balance access with security. He had discovered that tennis courts at Cannon Hill, Birmingham were operated using a booking system via web-based software called ClubSport.

Cllr. Wallace stated that the previous courts had been left open at all times, that it would take staff time to recode the locks regularly and that any damage should be risked during a trial. She proposed that the courts be left open for a year and was

seconded by Cllr. Jones. The Chairman suggested that the trial would be better to be with the ClubSport access in use in place for a year and was supported by Cllr. Farrow. A vote took place and it was **RESOLVED** that the ClubSport access be trialled by 3:2 majority vote.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40 p.m.

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Chairman