

## DITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The March 4<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting 2013 was held in the village hall at 7.30pm with Cllr. Green in the Chair & the following present – Cllrs. M.C. & M.P. Ankrett, Chadd, Cossey, Kirkpatrick, Mison, Mulley, Ogden & Weston together with clerk John Smith. Also present were two members of the public being Mr. & Mrs. D. Fairhead.

The Chair explained that the reason for this special meeting was to receive recommendations pertaining to The Dip project and to the Play Area project. Decisions were needed to progress these works.

<u>Parishioner Question Time</u> had David Fairhead being assured that bins, as required, would be sited on the Dip when extra provision for youth activity was completed.

- 1. Apologies for absence received from Cllr.James(unwell) & Dis. Cllr.Allen.
- 2. No Members Interests were declared.
- 3. <u>Dip Skate Park & Youth Shelter Projects</u> There was a detailed update by Cllr. Weston who tabled comprehensive information, including an aerial photograph, relating to both items. The tabled paper is appended to the file copy of these minutes. The Local Dev. Advisory Committee had met (on site) to discuss the position of the Youth Shelter.

### **Proposals**

<u>Proposal 1</u> "That the Council accepts the recommendation of the Local Dev. Advisory Committee and determines that the Community Shelter shall be positioned close to the mature trees in the western-most corner of the Dip oriented with open side looking down the field" was unanimously agreed.

# Funding for the Shelter (as tabled)

Proposal 2 The Council accepts the recommendations of the Local Dev. Advisory Committee and determines that the residual amount from the NCC Community Construction Fund grant be spent on the base for the shelter with work being carried out by Whiterod Surfacing Ltd"was unanimously agreed.

Proposal 3 "The Council accepts the recommendation of the Local Dev. Advisory Committee and determines that the £5,000 grant from the Norfolk Foundation be spent on the Shelter(designed by Highline Extreme) with work being carried out by Highline Extreme Ltd." was unanimously agreed.

Resolution proposed by the Chair, seconded by Cllr.Mulley, "That the Council acknowledges that the three proposed recommendations noted above are accepted and resolves hat the Council construct a Youth Shelter consistent with such proposals" was unanimously agreed.

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### 4. Thwaite Road Play Area Project (as tabled)

Cllr. Weston tabled a paper entitled, "Recommendation of the Maintenance & Environment Advisory Committee on the choice of contractor for the regeneration of the Play Area." The tabled paper is appended to the file copy of these minutes.

### **Proposals**

Proposal 1 "The Council accepts the recommendation of the M & E Ad.Committee that, subject to funds becoming available from a successful application to WREN, Action Play & Leisure be awarded the contract to carry out work to regenerate the Thwaite Road Play Area" was unanimously agreed.

<u>Proposal 2</u> "That the Council accepts the recommendation of the M & E Ad. Committee that, to support the major funder (WREN) grant application that the Council draws down funds from the Play Area reserve sufficient to support the application to the sum of £3,000" received unanimous support.

The resolution that "The Council acknowledges that the proposed recommendations noted above are accepted and resolves that (subject to third party grant finance being available) the Council will award the Play Area contract to Action Play & Leisure and £3,000 will be drawn down from the Play Area reserve to support the WREN application." Was unanimously agreed.

The Chair thanked the committees, and in particular Cllr Weston, for the many hours spent in bringing about this satisfactory situation.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm.

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