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Public Session

No speakers

Minutes of an Open Spaces Committee that was held at **The William Blake Memorial Hall** on **Monday 2nd October 2023** commencing at **6.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

Present: Cllrs B Swainson, N Wakely, D Hodson-Wright, D Steel, S Carp, with the Parish Clerks Mrs K Alford & Mrs R Swift

2 members of public present.

OS2.1 To receive any apologies for non-attendance

Cllrs Spiers, New, Jones & Dexter

OS2.2 To receive any declarations of interest

None

OS2.3 To receive and confirm the minutes of South Petherton's Open Spaces Committee held on Monday 3rd July 2023.

Received and confirmed.

OS2.4 Matters for report purposes only

- a) Pavilion extension progress – Clerk has had a meeting with the Locality Officer Adrian Moore from Somerset Council to confirm the project and to try to move this on. As quotes are older than 6 months new quotes will need to be obtained and plans agreed at the pavilion before anything can progress. Clerk requested any councillors willing to help move this forward.

OS2.5 Resolutions

1. To resolve to agree a way forward with regards to the MUGA lighting.

Resolved to advise the enquiring football team that they can use the MUGA without charge for training, but they would need to provide their own portable lighting due to the financial and operational issues to use the MUGA lights.

In addition, to resolve to halt the lighting project for the path from the MUGA to Bridge Road.

Proposed Cllr Swainson, seconded Cllr Hodson Wright, majority agreed (3)

2. To review the outstanding S106 allocations and to resolve a way forward with regards to any approaching deadlines.

The Clerk provided the up to date S106 allocations for South Petherton and gave confirmation of what the funds could be used for and the timescales involved.

Somerset Council will be advised of the Pavilion Project, the Skatepark project and the current situation for the pitches which will ensure that money is confirmed for use by Somerset Council.

OS2.6 To receive reports (if any) from the following:

- a) **Allotments**
- b) **Cemetery**
- c) **Footpaths and Bridleways** – Reports received of the footpath to the Hospital/Doctors surgery from St Michaels Gardens Y24/55 having a very large pothole on it. Clerks to report.
- d) **Roads and Transport** – Speeding issues received along West Street. SID to be installed by Jubilee Gardens.
- e) **Recreation Ground / SPRUG** – Parish noticeboard being repaired

- f) **The William Blake Memorial Hall** – recent meeting held – some queries have been sent to the Parish Office and will be dealt with in due course.
- g) **Mere Lynches**

OS2.7 Other matters referred to the Clerk
None

OS2.8 Next meeting – Monday 8th January 2024