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**Marchwood Parish Council**

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee  
on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm

Councillors: Mr M Proctor (Chairman) – in the chair (P)

Councillors: Mr M Havercroft (P)  
Mr G Wright (P)  
Mr R Young (A)  
Mr B Bucknell (P)  
Mr J Case (P)

(A) Absent (P) Present

In attendance: Mrs C Cockeram – Deputy Clerk to the Council

Also present: District Cllr Bennison; Cllr P Mballa and one member of the public

**Apologies for absence**

1. Cllr R Young

**Public Participation**

2. A member of the public requested the improvement of the boundary footpath at Cork Field. In certain places it is muddy and felt that if it could to be improved, more members of the public would use it. It was suggested a lorry load of scalping's and the request of volunteers to help would make it feasible. He also suggested some tree planting in the centre of the field.

**Declarations of Interest**

3. There were no declarations of interest.

**Minutes**

4. **RESOLVED:** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 as true record.

**Budget recommendations for 2021/22:**

5. **RESOLVED:** To approve the draft Amenities Budget for 2021/22 subject to consideration of additional £1000 for the improvement of Cork Field footpath.

**AMF Supervisors Report:**

6. The AMF Supervisors report was presented to the Committee and noted

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Paul Fisher our Summer Groundsman has now finished  
Rob Cochrane our new Groundsman has now started  
Football in full swing and we now have a new Caretaker – Martin  
Height barrier at the Lloyd Recreation Ground has been installed  
Loose pillar light at the Lloyds has been reinstated  
Large Oak limb fallen out of a tree next to flower bed (not the one due to be felled)  
Poppies put around the Village and the Silent Soldier installed at the Flower Boat  
Work carried out at the Falklands – tidy up flower beds ready for 14<sup>th</sup> November  
Owl box installed at Crooked Hayes with Paul Fishers advice  
Still dog mess and litter

**Bird Boxes:**

7. Cllr Wright has spoken to with Marchwood Junior School regarding the building of bird boxes. These would require wood, screws and paint. Approx. 50 boxes would be made with a template provided for the children. This would be done in conjunction with the AMF Supervisor and volunteers. Some ready-made boxes would be given to the Infant School to paint.

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed to apply for a grant of £400 to County Councillor David Harrison for the community project with the local schools.

**The Queens Green Canopy:**

8. Members discussed the best place to site the tree. Also discussed was the possibility of planting trees in the centre of Cork Field. This would be looked into at a later date.

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed to proceed and site the tree opposite Ferndale Road on the grass mound.

**Community Initiatives:**

- 9 (a) Litter picking: Cllr Wright reported that a successful litter pick was carried out at the weekend and there were 35 volunteers and 28 bags of rubbish.
- 8 (b) Wild Flowers: The area has now been scarified and seeded. The art work from the children has also been displayed. Cllr Wright has been given more wild flower seeds but has to check if they are native to the area before we can plant them.

**Parish Council Amenities Committee priorities for 2020/21**

9. Healthy walks and footpaths around the Village:

No update.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm

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