



**MINUTES Continued**  
**ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held 29.03.21**

- AM2103.03 BASKETBALL HOOPS:** Members considered addition budget of £300 to the original £400. This will allow the provision of a second hoop to be installed at 8ft for junior players.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Merritt, seconded by Cllr. Lambert to recommend the budget increase to full council at their meeting to be held 06.04.21. Agreed unanimously therefore **RESOLVED**.  
If approved by full council the chosen contractor will be instructed.
- AM2103.04 CEMETERY:** Upgrade of the central pathway (PROW 11) as previously discussed. The upgrade now requires additional budget due to the extra work at the field end due to the gradient and particularly narrow path. Original budget set by full council is £2,250. All costs to be met using the cemetery account.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Merritt, seconded by Cllr. Lambert to recommend a budget increase of £1,350 to full council at their meeting to be held 06.04.21. Agreed unanimously therefore **RESOLVED**.  
If approved by full council the chosen contractor will be instructed.
- AM2103.05 PLAYGROUNDS:** As previously discussed, improvements to ground conditions at all playground gateway entrances and underneath the crows nest swing at the Lawns. The quotes were considered and the need for any additional increase to the budget.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Merritt, seconded by Cllr. Grimble that the quotation from BGS be accepted and they are instructed to complete the work originally requested, with no modifications to the specification of budget. FOR: 6, AGAINST: 1, therefore **RESOLVED**.
- AM2103.06 COCKHAVEN CLOSE PLAYGROUND:**
- .01 **DRAINAGE:** This problem does not seem to be improving despite better weather recently. No response yet received from TDC regarding its list of disposable assets. The lease agreement between TDC and BPC clearly indicates issue such as these shall be resolved by the lessee. As the swings are still cordoned off from use it was agreed this matter should be resolved as soon as possible. The clerk advised 3 quotes should be sought and the AMC preference recommended to the full council. This can be funded with either S106 or CIL, on full council resolution.
  - .02 **NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT:** It was agreed drainage issues will need to be resolved before any new play equipment should be considered. Members appreciated the offer from the school and liked the idea of repurposing old rather than buying new but agreed the equipment should be inspected before a decision is made.
- AM2103.07 BENCHES AT THE LAWNS:**
- .01 Cllr. Grimble expressed disappointment that the memorial bench for her late husband, situated against the ha-ha at the Lawns was being used by children to climb the wall and was often left muddy. It was proposed, seconded, and unanimously agreed that this be relocated by moving it forward to the edge of the pathway. **RESOLVED**. Clerk to arrange relocation with BGS.
  - .02 Members considered the provision of additional benches at the Lawns including a wheelchair-friendly picnic table which may require groundworks to ensure accessibility. New benches can be purchased using S106 or another funding source if available.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Grimble, seconded by Cllr. Lambert, that a recommendation be made to the full council at the meeting to be held 06.04.21, that BPC purchase 2 new bench seats and one wheelchair-friendly picnic table using S106 or an appropriate funding source, this will include any required ground works to ensure the picnic table is accessible. Agreed unanimously, therefore **RESOLVED**.
  - .03 Cllr. Merritt reported the bench on The Drive, on approach to the Lawns is extremely overgrown. The clerk confirmed benches were under the remit of BPC although the verge and path in this location is an asset of TDC. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously that this bench be cleared of weeds/overgrowth. Clerk to arrange with a contractor.

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- AM2103.08 FLOODLIGHTS AT THE MUGA:** Members discussed the responses received to the recent public consultation regarding upgrade of existing floodlights at the MUGA. Overwhelmingly there were in support of LED replacements to allow use in the evenings, particularly across the darker winter months.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Merritt, seconded by Cllr. Shaw, that before a recommendation is made to full council three comparable quotes to be sought as well as further investigation into potential funding sources and/or consideration of how the costs may be met. FOR: 6, AGAINST: 1. Therefore **RESOLVED**.
- AM2103.09 VANDALISM TO WHIPS AT THE LAWNS:** Following reports of members assessment of the damages caused members considered any further actions including the option to fence off the area to allow uninterrupted rewilding and for the new trees to grow.  
It was proposed by Cllr. Merritt, seconded by Cllr. Lambert for 3 comparable quotes for new fencing to be sought. Agreed unanimously therefore **RESOLVED**.
- AM2103.10 BISHOPS AVENUE CAR PARK RAILING:** Members considered the railing quality and if any further support or reconstruction were required. Cllr. Gateshill reported that an onsite discussion with the original contractor led to the recommendation that additional strengthening be provided with welding. This was unanimously agreed, Cllr. Gateshill to liaise again with the contractor for this work to be completed.
- AM2103.11 WAR MEMORIAL CONDITION ASSESSMENT:** Response from the Stonemason just received however the funding opportunity has passed. It was agreed for the committee to consider the report and quote of recommended work to maintain the War Memorial in a good condition at a future AMC meeting.
- AM2103.12 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**  
The clerk reported that the parish is eligible for grants from Viridor. This news was noted by members. For more information see the website. <https://www.viridor-credits.co.uk/>

**THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.55PM**

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