

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SELBORNE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT SELBORNE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 25TH JANUARY 2023 AT 8.15 PM



Present: Cllr D Ashcroft, Cllr S Bennett
Cllr G Masson, Cllr W Megeney
Cllr N O'Donnell (arrived at 8.42pm during 22.248), Cllr L Roberts
Cllr M Turner

Absent: Cllr J Clay, Cllr H Grosvenor
Cllr M Irwin-Brown, Cllr C McMeekan

Also present: Liz Ford, Parish Clerk. One member of the public.

22.243 Apologies for Absence: Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Clay, Grosvenor, Irwin-Brown, McMeekan.

22.244 Chairman's Announcements – None

22.245 Declarations of Interests. Cllr Ashcroft declared an "other" interest in his communication of an offer to purchase the playground equipment for £1,600 and he would not to take part in the determination of this item.

22.246 Approval of Minutes
Approval of the minutes was deferred.

The meeting was adjourned for public questions

22.247 Public Questions

A resident raised the problem of flooding on Gracious Street and the Clerk would contact HC Highways and the Environment Agency regarding works to address the problem. Cllr Roberts had been in discussion with adjacent landowners regarding changes to land drainage which might alleviate the flooding problem and also enhance the wildlife habitat value of the area.

The meeting was reconvened

22.248 To Consider the Final Quote and Design for the new children's play area at the Selborne Recreation Ground
The playground quote and design was discussed. Cllr O'Donnell arrived at the meeting at 8.42pm during the later stages of this discussion. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the final quote and design and instruct Green Play Project Ltd to install a new children's play area at the Selborne Recreation Ground for a cost of £70,496 exc VAT (proposed Cllr Bennett and seconded Cllr Roberts with voting in favour. Cllrs Ashcroft and Megeney abstained).

22.249 To Sign the formal agreement between Derbyshire Environmental Trust and Selborne Parish Council for a Landfill Tax grant of £40K for the new children's play area at the Selborne Recreation Ground
The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council was in compliance with all the conditions in the grant agreement. It was **RESOLVED** to sign the formal agreement between Derbyshire Environment Trust and Selborne Parish Council for a Landfill Tax grant of £40K for the new children's play area at the Selborne Recreation Ground (proposed by Cllr Roberts, seconded by Cllr Bennett with all voting in favour. Cllrs Ashcroft and Megeney abstained).

22.250 To give thanks to the Selborne Recreation Ground Committee for providing the Third Party Contribution of £4,459 required to obtain the Landfill Tax grant
The Parish Council gave thanks to the Selborne Recreation Ground Committee for providing the Third Party Contribution of £4,459 required to obtain the Landfill Tax grant

22.251 To Authorise the Clerk to liaise with the grant providers regarding joint publicity on the new playground

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Clerk to liaise with the grant providers regarding joint publicity on the new playground once the grant award agreement had been signed by all parties (proposed by Cllr Masson and seconded by Cllr Roberts with all voting in favour).

22.252 To consider re-use/disposal of the existing play equipment at the children's play area at the Selborne Recreation Ground

The re-use/disposal of the existing play equipment was discussed. It was **RESOLVED** to authorise in principle the disposal of the existing play equipment to the unidentified party, offering £1,600, put forward by Cllr Ashcroft, once there had been liaison with the Recreation Ground Committee and the playground contractor to ensure that no damage to the recreation ground or difficulty with the installation of the new playground would be caused and written agreement to terms for disposal obtained (proposed by Cllr Bennett and seconded by Cllr Masson with all voting in favour. Cllr Ashcroft abstained).

22.253 Date of next meeting: The next meeting would be on Wednesday 15th February at 7.30pm in Oakhanger Village Hall. The provisional date of the next Planning Committee meeting was Wednesday 1st February (following the meeting it was confirmed that there would be no Planning Committee meeting on 1st February).

The meeting closed at 9.10pm