

Turning on the Christmas Lights – Friday 18th November 2022

- Councillors were asked for ideas on who would switch on the Christmas lights this year.

Councillor Price proposed and Councillor Weeks seconded that the Chair of West End Parish Council, Councillor Boulton, should switch on the Christmas Lights. The committee agreed unanimously.

- Councillors were asked whether Christmas Lights should be put up down the High Street or just outside the Parish Centre.

Councillors agreed that they would like to see lights up along the High Street as well as at the Parish Center. Councillor Coles proposed and Councillor Haylett seconded that local businesses be asked if they would be able to provide the power for the lights.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party – Monday 19th December 2022

- Gary Matthews has been booked and confirmed.
- Tickets will go on sale from Monday 21st November.

Children’s Christmas Event – Friday 16th December 2022

- Crazy M has been booked and confirmed.
- Tickets will go on sale from Monday 21st November.

- A new Senior Citizens event has been proposed. This is being looked at by the Parish Office and further updates will be provided as and when available.
- Councillors were asked for their thoughts on a possible event to celebrate the King’s Coronation on the 6th May 2023.

Councillors agreed they would present any ideas for a possible event at the next meeting.

074/22/REC MASTER PLAN - PICNIC AREA PROJECT

A meeting was recently held with a company called Vitaplay to get some ideas of what they think can be done with the play area. Having looked around the space, they have confirmed they now will put together some thoughts and suggestions and submit these back to us.

Another company, Playdale Playgrounds are due for a site visit on 29th November.

075/22/REC BARNSLAND/ HATCH FARM/ UPMILL

Hatch Farm/Barnsland

Using the funding provided from the Developers Contributions from the Hatch Farm Development, continued works have been taking place at Barnsland. The swings and youth shelter have been refurbished, painted and new wet pour has been put in place.

The Parish Office have also instructed Shawyers to go ahead with the following works:

- To supply and install a 15-meter self-binding gravel path with timber edging to join the top of bank though woodland area all arisings removed from site
£2292.00+VAT
- To supply and install sleeper steps down the bank to the bridge with a handrail with gravel infill all arisings removed from site.
£2511.82+VAT
- To remove one goal end, dismantle and repaint in white and green and store until spring
£1614.92+VAT
- To remove all grass mats and soil and seed both worn goal areas all arising removed from site
£860.00+VAT
- To repaint other goal in green and white insitu
£1204.92+VAT
- To reinstall repainted goal end, included is new fixings
£820.00+VAT
- To supply and install grass rubber matting to both goal areas
£1967.20+VAT
- To install new handrail to bridge
£78.73+VAT
- To remove old oak gate posts and supply and install 2 new oak gate posts and rehang gate
£930.48+VAT

Upmill Close

Nothing new to report.

076/22/REC HATCH GRANGE / MEGAN GREEN/ QUOB GREEN/ WEST END COPSE

Hatch Grange

Nothing new to report.

SINC Area

The Higher Level Stewardship agreement is due to expire in 2023. It is being recommended to the RPA that it be extended.

It was agreed that the Grounds team would arrange to do a visit to all of the green areas/space we manage within the village with Councillors Du-Crow, Weeks and Willoughby.

Megan Green

Nothing new to report.

Wednesday Volunteer Group

The Head Groundsman has provisionally booked the 18th and 25th January 2023 with the Wednesday Volunteer Group to continue work on the path at Megan Green.

N.I.C.E

Nothing new to report.

Quob Green

Nothing new to report.

West End Copse

An email has been received from Friends of West End Copse regarding the Giants Chair. They have had feedback from several people asking for the chair to be reinstalled.

Councillors agreed that due to the reduction in litter since its removal and the fact that the chair had to be removed due to vandalism, they would leave the space as it is for the time being.

077/22/REC MOORGREEN RECREATION GROUND

An email was received from a resident regarding the drains being blocked at Moorgreen Recreation Ground. This has now been cleared by the Grounds Team and has been added to their weekly maintenance schedule.

078/22/REC TOWNHILL FARM RECREATION AREAS

Chartwell Green

Nothing new to report.

Chartwell Copse

Nothing new to report.

Townhill Farm & Carpathia Play Areas

Nothing new to report.

079/22/REC CUTBUSH LANE FOOTBALL FACILITY

- Graffiti was recently cleared off the outside of the pavilion.
- A telephone call was received into the Parish Office from a resident regarding anti-social behaviour at Cutbush. The Parish Clerk advised the resident to report each incident to '101' Incidents include kicking a ball against the metal shutters which creates an extremely irritating noise; smoking of weed; taking 'nos' canisters and drinking alcohol – beer bottles are frequently thrown into their back garden.
The resident has suggested to fence off the building. This ensures no young people can get near to the building.

Councillors discussed the issues highlighted and didn't think a fence would be a suitable solution. They have asked the Parish Office to look into getting CCTV.

080/22/REC QUOB LANE CEMETERY/ BURIAL GROUND

Burial Ground

A new water meter has been put in place.

Cemetery

- The Parish Office received a call from a funeral director to ask if it would be ok for an interment of two caskets and an ashes urn into a double plot. The ashes urn would be inside one of the caskets.

Councillors agreed to this as long as the normal processes were followed.

- A new cemetery sign has now been put in place.
- The fence along cemetery drive was falling down so this was repaired by the Grounds Team.

Garden of Reflection

Nothing new to report.

081/22/REC ALLOTMENTS

- 16 rent reminders have been sent out due to non-payment of the coming years rent. Of these, 9 are still outstanding.
- A notice to quit letter has been sent to one allotment holder due to not working the plot
- The Head Groundsman and Deputy Clerk conducted plot inspections on the 18th October. Following this, 26 letter are due to be sent out for plots not being worked.

082/22/REC GROUNDS

Tree works have been booked in with TreeMenders.

083/22/REC THE YOUTHOUSE

Update from the Youth Leader. See Appendix A

084/22/REC DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 16th November 2022

EXEMPT BUSINESS: None

The meeting closed at 8.19pm

Appendix A

Youth Leader Update

Report for the Summer 2022

We have had a busy summer this year, the last day of the school term we opened the youth club tuck shop between 1.30-2.30 and then again at 6.30-8.30pm for the year six leavers. We took £274.18 in the tuck shop that night.

The summer holiday programme started for us on 25th July. We were opened on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights for all young people and on Thursdays we did trips, we took 18 young people to Romsey rapids on the train, 12 young people Canoeing at woodmill, 10 young people to Marwell zoo, Parents from our Toddler group also attend the zoo and 10 young people did a treetops challenge at Marwell activity centre. We also ran a Parent and toddler session on a Tuesday morning.

At the same time, we organized our community games at Cutbush football fields, this was well attended. This year we did have to subsidise the games as the mobile farm and inflatables had put their prices up.

Luckily, we had a very good season with the cricket parking which helped with the community games and has also helped us to raise enough to pay half towards a defib for the youth club.

Community games cost in total: £1395.45

Community Games takings: £746.40

Car parking takings £3259.45

Autumn plans at youth club

We already have planned out our autumn events at the youth clubs, we are starting with a healthy eating activity and making fruit kebabs with the young people. We are also taking part in the great big green week with litter picks planned on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings. We are then closed for a week due to staff holidays. Back on 26th September with Autumn crafts followed by another healthy eating week with vegetable tasting. Other activities include Family tree week, Halloween crafts and a Halloween party. We also have a trip booked to go to Thorpe Park (fright night) on 14th October which is a teacher training day for wildern school. And another trip to Romsey rapids by train is planned for half term.