

Goudhurst Parish Council



YOUTH COMMITTEE

Minutes of a virtual meeting held via Zoom Conference call on Thursday 27 August 2020 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Phil Kirkby (Chairman), Craig Broom, David Knight and Mrs Jayne Russell.

Advisers: Mr Steve Hope (Goudhurst Dynamos junior FC) and Mrs Laura Sinfield (Back Lane Play Area Group). Mrs Claire Reed, Assistant Clerk.

1. APOLOGIES: were received from Emily McKay.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST: There were none.

3. BACK LANE PLAY AREA

Sponsorship board

It was **agreed** to add the location of the defibrillator on the Plain to the sign and that the colour should be primrose yellow to be more in keeping with the locality.

Grand Opening

It was **agreed** to invite Greg Clark MP to open the play area on 19 September at around 11 am. It was further **agreed** that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers should be limited and that invitations will be sent to sponsors from HQ. It was **noted** that the contractor has agreed to leave the Heras fencing in place until the morning of 19 September. It was **agreed** that Cllr Jayne Russell and Assistant Clerk would liaise over details for the opening. Cllr David Knight agreed to contact the press.

Benches

I was **agreed** to order two new teak benches for the play area, the same as those installed on the Village Green at an approximate cost of £1000. Cllr Jayne Russell will send the details to Assistant Clerk.

It was **noted** that any excess funds could be used to purchase 'play panels' to be fitted along the fence in the Play Area.

4. CHEQUER FIELD

It was **noted** that a pitch improvement inspection had been carried out by a representative from the Kent FA on 19 August. The purpose of the inspection was to assess what works need to be carried out to improve the condition of the pitch and what funding may be available. It was **noted** that poor drainage on the south side of the pitch has led to disruptions to play during the 2019-20 season.

5. SHELTER FOR THE VILLAGE GREEN

It was **agreed** to look at options for a shelter on the Village Green and also to investigate a 'spider climber' or outdoor gym for adults to use.

The next Youth Committee meeting will be on Thursday 29 October at 7.30pm via Zoom.