

Goudhurst Parish Council



YOUTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting held on 27 July 2023 at 7.30pm in Goudhurst Village Hall

Councillors Present: Cllrs Craig Broom, Antony Harris, David Knight (Chairman) Alison Webster.

Officers Present: Claire Reed, Clerk

Others Present: None

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR

238/23 It was **resolved** to elect Cllr Phil Kirkby as Committee Chair and Cllr David Knight as Vice-Chair.

APOLOGIES

239/23 Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr Phil Kirkby (unwell) and Steve Hope.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

240/23 There were none.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

241/23 It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Youth & Housing Committee meeting held on 02 May 2023, and previously distributed to members via Board Intelligence, be accepted as a correct record.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

242/23 There were none.

MEMORIAL BENCH

243/23 It was **resolved** to purchase a new memorial bench, at a cost of £550, to replace the decaying picnic bench in Back Lane Play Area. Relatives will be offered the opportunity to purchase memorial plaques to add to the bench. The cost of the plaques will be established by the Burial Authority. **Action: Clerk**

CHEQUER FIELD BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

244/23 It was **resolved** to approve the terms & conditions with the removal of the word COVID from condition 3. **Action: Clerk**

FA PITCH MAINTENANCE GRANTS

245/23 It was **resolved** to apply for a FA grass pitch maintenance grant to fund improvements to the Chequer Field. It was further **resolved** to recommend to Council that budget provision be made to accrue funds of approximately £50k (ear marked reserves) for a future drainage project on the field. **Action: Clerk/ Finance Committee.**

PITCH INSPECTION KIT - CHEQUER FIELD

246/23 It was **resolved** to approve expenditure of £250 for a pitch inspection kit. **Action: Clerk**

VENTILATION AT CHEQUER PAVILION

247/23 It was **resolved** to defer a decision pending further investigation of the moisture problem at the Chequer Pavilion. **Action: Clerk**

FUTURE PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES

248/23 It was **agreed** that the two main projects for the Committee were the construction of a Youth Shelter and Pitch Improvements at the Chequer Field. It was also **agreed** that the feasibility of establishing a Community Land Trust should be investigated.

SECTION 106 MONIES

249/23 It was **resolved** to put forward a request for funds for improvements to the Village Green including a Youth Shelter and recreational activities. **Action: Clerk to inform TWBC Planning.**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

250/23 Next Youth & Housing Committee Meeting, Tuesday 24 October 2023 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.17pm

Claire Reed
Clerk