

Halberton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee of Halberton Parish Council held on Tuesday 24 September 2019 at Halberton Village Hall

Meeting started 8.05pm

PRESENT: Councillors Batchelor (Chair), Browse, Saunders, and Graham, K Ward (Clerk), 1 member of public

1 Apologies: Cllr Birch

2 Declarations of Interest: None.

3 Public Forum: No comments

4 Minutes of the meeting held on 23 July 2019: The minutes were approved and signed.

5 Cordwents Recreation area / Car park: Cllr Browse reported that the concrete has been laid and can't be driven on for 1 month. Work expected to recommence in approximately 2 weeks.

6 Proposed Devon Air Landing Site at The Mead: Cllr Browse reported that he met with Western Power on site and other than moving the ducting closer to the supply pole there would be no objections. The Council now needs to confirm the power it requires. It was **AGREED** that while the council currently does not have powers to provide car charging points, the power supply should be sufficient to allow for charging points in the anticipation that powers would be obtained in the future. The Clerk reported that DCC have "not said no" to the initial enquiry about putting cabling and mast on the Mead, but said the current licence does not allow for this. DCC is proposing to review the licence agreement with this in mind. A query was raised as to why the proposal was to put the mast on the far side of the Mead and whether it could be sited closer to Cordwents. It was **AGREED** to discuss further with DAAT and DCC.

Actions: Cllrs Browse and Batchelor to obtain advice from an electrician as to the power supply needs. Clerk to then contact Western Power to obtain a quote. Clerk to update DAAT on progress. Clerk to arrange meeting with DCC regarding the Mead licence.

7 General Amenities: It was noted handyman works are ongoing and the Committee is pleased with works done to date.

a. Recreation Ground: Cllr Batchelor to measure swing seats, but noted there is an alternative supplier from which to obtain a quote in due course.

b. The Mead: Awaiting information on the measurements and type of nets required before seeking quotes.

c. Cemetery: Headstones: Subsequent to Council decision 152-12c, the Council was informed that the quote provided did not include levelling of graves. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the additional cost of levelling the graves as part of refixing the headstones. Repainting the lettering on grave number 37 is no longer being pursued. The Committee considered and agreed the specification for the removal of the diseased red oak.

8 Miscellaneous Matters

It was noted letter regarding overgrown hedges has been issued. No other problems reported.

Date of next meeting: 22 October 2019 (TBC)

Meeting closed: 8.20pm

Signed

Date