

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE Victoria Park sub Committee of the COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY
ON MONDAY 8th July 2019 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT

Councillors Jeff Beck; Martin Colston; Billy Drummond; Nigel Foot; Jon Gage, Sarah Slack,

In Attendance

David Ingram, Community Services Manager

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Leader of the Council, Councillor Martin Colston, presided over the election of the Chairperson.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Martin Colston

SECONDED: Cllr. Billy Drummond

RESOLVED: elect that Councillor Roger Hunneman as Chairperson of the Victoria Park sub committee of the Community Services Committee for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.

Councillor took the Chair for the remainder of the Committee meeting.

PROPOSED: Cllr. Roger Hunneman

SECONDED: Cllr. Martin Colston

RESOLVED: That Councillor Jon Gage be elected as Vice-Chairperson of the Victoria Park sub committee of the Community Services Committee for the Municipal Year 2019/2020.

2. Elect Standing Members

The following Members were elected:

Members: Steve Master, Billy Drummond, Jon Gage, Martin Colston, Roger Hunneman, Jeff Beck, Sarah Slack & Nigel Foot

Substitutes: Olivia Lewis, Martha Vickers, David Cant

3. Apologies for Absence

Councillors Lewis, O-Keefe, Cant

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

The Community Services Manager declared that Councillors Jeff Beck & Billy Drummond, are also Members of West Berkshire Council, which is declared as a general interest on their behalf and a dispensation is in place to allow them to partake in discussions relating to West Berkshire Council business.

5. Terms of Reference

PROPOSED: Cllr. Jeff Beck

SECONDED: Cllr. Jon Gage

RESOLVED: That the Terms of Reference were agreed as being appropriate for this sub committee

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGERS REPORT

The Community Services Manager's Report was noted.

Community Services Committee had

RESOLVED: To 'de-couple' the changing rooms and the community café and treat them as two separate projects, giving priority to the café and to research the demand for the changing rooms by football teams and the tennis coaches.

The subcommittee went on to discuss:

a) To extend the building by one bay to accommodate a Changing space and a Band Chairs store

Proposed: Cllr Nigel Foot

Seconded: Cllr Billy Drummond

Resolved: To request the Café design by altered to accommodate an additional space for Changing facilities & Band store chairs. Investigate a Toilet, which can be accessed from inside the Café area.

b) BREEAM – to what extent should this building accommodate the BREEAM Standard and the use of renewable technology

The Community Services Manager set out the BREEAM accreditation process:

BREEAM assessment evaluates the procurement, design, construction and operation of a development against a range of targets based on performance benchmarks.

It focuses on sustainable value across range of categories:

- Energy
- Land use and ecology
- Water
- Health and wellbeing
- Pollution
- Transport
- Materials
- Waste
- Management

Each category focusses on the most influential factors, including reduced carbon emissions, low impact design, adaption to climate change, ecological value and biodiversity protection.

Independent [licenced assessors](#) carry out an assessment of a scheme and each of the criteria is scored and then multiplied by a weighting.

Two assessment/certification stages are carried out (a design stage assessment which results in an interim certificate, and a post-construction assessment resulting in a final certificate being issued and a rating awarded).

Developments are rated and certified on a scale of Unclassified (<30%), Pass (>30%), Good (>45%), Very Good (>55%), Excellent (>70%) and Outstanding (>85%)

<https://www.breeam.com/NC2018/>

To achieve the required high standards for Public buildings the use of renewably technology will be necessary, potentially air source heat pumps, low energy lighting, heat recovery and solar technology. There being no gas supply in Victoria Park, all heating hot water & lighting will be electrically powered.

The BREEAM assessor will specify the required technologies to achieve the pass mark required.

Proposed: Cllr. Nigel Foot

Seconded: Cllr. Jeff Beck

Resolved: That the new Café facility should be designed to seek to attain BREEAM Excellent as a minimum standard.

c) Use of an external Agent to seek a suitable Café Operator. Cllr Gage set out the experiences with the Greenham Tower café and some of the pitfalls to be avoided Members asked for external links to similar facilities to be circulated

<https://www.southampton.gov.uk/people-places/parks-open-spaces/hawthorns/the-cafe-hawthorns.aspx>

<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/leisure-services/look-out/facilities>

<https://www.facebook.com/woodpeckercafeQP>

Proposed: Cllr. Martin Colston

Seconded: Cllr Billy Drummond

Resolved: that Newbury Town Council should engage with a suitable Commercial Agent to assist in finding a suitable commercially orientated Tenant for the Café Operation.

d) discussion took place in respect of the use of the area set aside for the full size football pitch. View expressed were that this is a valuable area for picnic, casual play and regularly used lunchtimes for impromptu games. Investigations should be made into liability for its future use.

Proposed: Cllr Nigel Foot

Seconded: Cllr Jeff Back

Resolved: The area currently set aside for a football pitch should be retained as open play area for casual use by the public and the use monitored for future discussion

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRPERSON THANKED ALL THOSE IN ATTENDANCE AND DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9pm.

CHAIRPERSON