

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE
Minutes of a meeting held on 14 November 2012

Present: Cllr SE Thorpe (chair)
Cllr J L Duckworth
Cllr N I Kay
Cllr S M Reed
Cllr S Robinson
Apologies: Cllr A Elliott
Cllr M P Robinson

Repairs to play equipment

The Clerk reported that the latest inspection report by the Council's insurers had included two items which needed attention immediately. She had obtained a quotation from Greenfields Garden Services (recommended by Dursley TC for playground repairs) for the emergency items and also other repairs which were necessary but not so urgent. Following her discussion with the Greenfields representative the Clerk had spoken to the insurance inspector and had negotiated some lesser repair which would obviate the need to totally dismantle equipment. This would be confirmed in writing.

There was considerable discussion about the future of the slides at KGV field and Shortwood Green both of which needed a complete overhaul as the access steps in particular did not comply with current regulations. Although old items the slides were still robust and very popular with children as being sited on built up earth mounds they afforded a longer slide run than more modern equipment.

It was agreed to approve all the repairs detailed in the quotation from Greenfields dated 24 October totalling £7068 + vat to be undertaken forthwith and funded from the designated fund for play equipment.

Budget items for 2013/14

Current budget

It was agreed for accounting purposes to reduce the Queens Diamond Jubilee allocation to £1400 and add £1100 to the Nailsworth Games designated fund.

Next year's budget

- Subsume "Youth support under 13" with "Youth provision" and rename "Youth workers salaries" with budget of £43650.
- New items "Support for Glos Playrangers" with budget of £2000 and " Market Street garden maintenance" with budget of £300.
- Play area/skateboard ramp – budget £2600
- All other headings to be carried forward from current budget except for those headings covering utilities/including contracts which should be raised by 2.5%
- Designated funds – Play/leisure equipment - £5000: Tennis courts - £1000: Youth worker redundancy fund - £200.

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Chair