

**Minutes of the
Buildings & Property Portfolio Committee
held on Tuesday 10th January 2023 at 7.00pm
at the Oldbrook Centre, Oldbrook Boulevard, Oldbrook**

This meeting was open to the public

72/22 Members Present

Cllr B Barton	Cllr J Howard
Cllr V Dixon	Cllr D Kendrick
Cllr R Golding (Chair)	Cllr M Petchey
Cllr B Greenwood	

In Attendance

P Sullivan, Deputy Clerk
C Hindson, Estates Manager

73/22 Apologies for Absence

Cllr K Jones
Cllr K Kavarana
Cllr K Kent

74/22 Declarations of Interest

None

75/22 Members of the Public Present

None

76/22 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 8th November 2022

The Minutes of the meeting, having previously been circulated, were approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chair.

77/22 Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions

None received

78/22 Buildings Cover – Christmas and New Year

The Committee noted the arrangements which were put in place over the Christmas and New Year break to cover Council assets. There were no reported incidents over the Christmas and New Year period.

79/22 Parish Council Community Hub

- i. The Committee noted that the reserved matters planning application continues to be in abeyance subject to the resolution of drainage issues raised by the Local Lead Flood Authority and that a meeting has been requested with the head of the Local Planning Authority in order to address and resolve the issue.
- ii. The Committee noted that an initial response has been received in relation to the Council's Public Works Loan Board application. The response asked for additional information which has now been provided, with a further response/determination awaited in due course.

Signed (Chair).....

Date.....

80/22 Parish Council Allotments - Site Update Report

The Committee received a verbal update report from the Lead Member for Allotments.

There are currently two plots vacant, one at Willen and one at Woolstone. No residents on the waiting list at present but an advert is going in to Homeground and posters on noticeboards.

We had another fly-tip before Christmas which was cleared by The Parks Trust. We have been advised by them to put up a notice re fly-tipping which has been ordered and will be put in place as soon as possible. If it reoccurs they will need to look at further ways to stop this, possibly the installation of cameras.

The next site visit is on 3rd February 2023 and, if his schedule allows, the Estates Manager will also attend.

The water is due to go back on in the Spring.

81/22 Fishermead Sports Ground – Service Level Agreement (Gallacticos FC)

The Committee considered a report received from Gallacticos FC. The Committee was of the opinion that the report did not supply the information that was requested in relation to the current SLA and were therefore unable to consider further. The Committee agreed that the Clerk contact Gallacticos FC and request that this information be received in time to be considered at the next meeting.

82/22 Community Centres – Hire Charge Review

The Committee considered the current hire charges of all community centres and, taking into account the significant increase in community centre overheads due to additional staff and utility costs, agreed to recommend to Council that the hire charge be increased by 5%, in line with the precept increase, from April 2023.

83/22 Fireworks on Parish Council land

Following a number of reported incidents on PC controlled land, the Committee considered what actions could be taken to help prevent future incidents. The Committee agreed that enforcement was unworkable and agreed to make a recommendation to Council to increase education via all available channels, particularly targeting the times of year when the use of fireworks is most prevalent and improve signage on the prohibition of fireworks on public land.

84/22 Date of the Next Meeting

Tuesday 14th February, 6.30pm.