

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

OPEN SPACES & PROPERTY MEETING

held on Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 7pm in The Village Hall, 27 Pond Lane, Drayton, NR8 6PP.

In attendance: Cllrs A Crotch (Chair), J Anderson, C Brown, G Everett, K Morgan, N Quinsey.

2 members of the public were present.

1. Members' declarations of interest and requests for dispensations
2. Apologies and consideration of acceptance for absence.
3. To receive and agree the minutes from the meetings on 2nd March 2023 and 27th April 2023. The committee **AGREED** the minutes of the Open Spaces and Property Committee meetings on the 2nd March 2023 and 27th April 2023
4. To receive questions or comments from members of the public on matters on the agenda. None.
5. To discuss the results of the Feasibility Study carried out by The Sports Consultancy and decide on next steps for the King George V Playing Field Pavilion project.

The Chairman summarised progress so far following the receipt of the Feasibility Study from the Sports Consultancy, and the Fee Proposal from the Daniel Connel Partnership.

The Committee made the following comments/suggestions:

- Scope to attach an extension onto the rear of the Pavilion rather than committing to a new building.
- Potential to re-vamp the Pavilion as it currently exists. Extend and improve the changing rooms.
- Work with the Bowls Club to determine scope for a regular booking for the purpose of meetings and a space to use as a Council office.
- Potential to spend the S106 and CIL on other projects throughout Drayton such as Longdale, pitch improvements, Village Hall, Bob Carter Centre and the area to the rear of the Pavilion at King George V Playing Field.
- With respect to GNGB funding, it should be noted that this is not guaranteed, therefore the Council should plan to cover the cost of any projects with our own funds.
- Removal of the asbestos underneath the Pavilion.
- Desirable for the building to serve the community, with respect to the Cricket Club, Football Club and other sports. Priority for better changing facilities, with provision for women's changing. Improvements to the office, toilets and kitchen area.
- Access to the Pavilion in its current location can only be by foot/emergency vehicle due to the positioning of the football pitches. Building a roadway would mean loss of one of the football pitches.
- Consideration for the size of the office space required for the staff. Current sizing is sufficient. Requirement for a pleasant working space for staff and for meeting with members of the public.

- Discussion regarding the original favoured positioning of the new building. Concern for the cost given other areas within the parish which could benefit from funding.
- Liaison with the architect to determine the cost of a refurbishment with varying levels of work.
- The path leading to the Pavilion would need to be widened to enable better wheelchair access.
- Upgrading the carpark should be considered in tandem with the Pavilion improvements to provide more carparking spaces. Fencing to protect the cars.
- Preferred option is the current location of the Pavilion but to enhance; improve the meeting space, offices, changing rooms, disabled access, and toilets, with consideration from improving the garage space and parking provision. Establish if planning permission is required.
- Consideration for a MUGA to the rear of the Pavilion which could be installed at the same time of the refurbishment.
- Tidy the area to the front of the Bowls Club. Promote tree growth/wildlife with space for benches.
- Improve or replace the fence line along the roadside. Improve visibility into King George V Playing Field.

The Committee proposed to recommend to Council that further designs are requested for the refurbishment of the existing Pavilion.

Action: Clerk

The Committee proposed to present the original proposal from 27th April 2023 to Council for consideration alongside the new proposal.

Action: Clerk

6. Items for the next agenda.

Discuss proposals for the rear of the Pavilion.
Benches for the new play area.

7. To agree the date and time of next meeting.
22nd June 2023.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed: A Crotch

Committee Chairman