

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**

**SUB-COMMITTEE SALTHOUSE FIELDS TENNIS COURTS**

REPORT TO THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2014 AT 10.00 AM IN THE COUNCIL HOUSE, 44 OLD STREET.

PRESENT: Cllr G Watkins - Sub-Committee Chairman; Cllrs J Geldart, L Little, A Shopland

**STC/14/44 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

**STC/14/45 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2013 were approved and signed by the Sub-Committee Chairman.

**STC/14/46 TO CONSIDER DRAFT LEASE**

The Sub-Committee Chairman reported that Darren Fairchild, NSC Seafronts & Events Service Manager is currently on sick leave and Mark MacGregor has taken on responsibility for the lease to be available for the Town Events & Amenities Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013

**RESOLVED:** Special Meeting of the Sub-Committee to be arranged prior to the TEA Committee to consider the lease and make recommendation to TEA see STC/14/52 below. Sub-Committee Chairman to continue to follow up lease with NSC. **Action: Sub-Committee Chairman**

**STC/14/47 ACTION ARISING FROM LAST TEA COMMITTEE MEETING**

As requested a letter had been written to the NSC Director of Development & Environment who had confirmed the following;

- The £15,000 grant will be paid upon the completion of the lease.
- The Property & Asset Management Team is working on the lease.
- NSC will pay their own legal costs but the Town Council will be responsible for their legal costs.
- The nets and posts will be provided to the Town Council on completion of the lease.
- Darren Fairchild will advise on the location of electric supplies adjacent to the courts.

**STC/14/48 FENCING**

The Sub-Committee Chairman had obtained a revised quotation from the approved Contractor for the additional gate and the fencing through the middle of the courts for the sum of £3,698 rather than £2,771 plus VAT. This could in the future allow the single court to be used for other sports if appropriate.

**RESOLVED:** 1. The Sub-Committee Chairman to discuss the new quotation with the Contractor prior to;  
2. The revised quotation being submitted to the TEA Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

**Action: Sub-Committee Chairman & Deputy Town Clerk**

**STC/14/49 FREE ACCESS/COIN OPERATED ENTRY SYSTEM**

49.1 COIN OPERATED ENTRY SYSTEM – No formal quotations obtained to date.

**Action: Sub-Committee Chairman**

**49.2 RESEARCH INTO HOW OTHER COUNCIL'S OPERATE THEIR TENNIS COURTS**

Cllr Geldart had contacted 12 councils and the majority did not charge for use of the tennis courts and none of the councils contacted used a coin operated entry system. Some Council's sold fob's to open the courts at the beginning of the season so that users could access the courts as and when required. The Sub-Committee had envisaged the courts being revenue neutral.

**RESOLVED:** The Sub-Committee Chairman and Cllr Geldart to investigate further the practicality and financial feasibility of charging for the courts.

**Action: Sub-Committee Chairman and Cllr Geldart**

**STC/14/50 TO CONSIDER FUTURE USE OF THE SHED**

It was reported that NSC had no further use for the shed.

**RESOLVED:** When the keys to the courts and shed have been handed over to inspect the shed prior to a decision on retaining the shed being taken.

**Action: All Sub-Committee Members**

**STC/14/51 TO CONSIDER OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THE TENNIS COURTS**

The following sources of funding are being investigated;

- Possible use of the £2,500 allocated to tennis courts in the 2013/14 TEA budget.
- Alliance Homes Community Fund - applications up to £2,000 deadline for applications 31 July 2014.
- May Gurney Community Fund
- Section 106 or CIL monies from Clevedon Hall Estate. However this would require approval by the TEA Committee as a request had been made for funding towards public toilets. TEA/13/291
- Chairman of NSC Fund for Sport.

**Action: Sub-Committee Chairman and Cllr Geldart**

**STC/14/52 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** Possible dates Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February or Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

The meeting finished at 10.58 am

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN:.....

DATE: .....