

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**

**SUB-COMMITTEE SALTHOUSE FIELDS TENNIS COURTS**

REPORT TO THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF THE MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 10.00 AM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
44 OLD STREET.

PRESENT: Cllrs J Geldart, L Little, G Watkins

**STC/13/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

**STC/13/16 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 31st July 2013 were approved and signed by the Sub-Committee Chairman.

**STC/13/17 TO REPORT ON ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING**

**13/17.1 SPORT ENGLAND GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS**

An application to Sport England may still be necessary depending on the outcome of 17.2 below although it may be that works to the tennis court could be phased over a couple of years. It was noted the last tranche of grant funding specifically for Town and Parish Councils closes this year.

**13/17.2 POSSIBLE GRANT FROM COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND**

The NSC Seafronts & Events Service Manager supported the transfer of the tennis courts to Clevedon Town Council and had drafted an application form request funding with the transfer from the NSC Community Investment Fund. The application is for £15,000. The NSC Officer had indicated that there was insufficient money in the fund to apply for the full amount required to upgrade the tennis courts (£30,000-£40,000). The Deputy Town Clerk queried whether NSC required approval by Clevedon Town Council of the transfer of the tennis courts prior to submitting this application to NSC. The Sub-Committee Chairman indicated that NSC knew that approval would not be sought until the funding situation had been clarified.

**RESOLVED:** 1. Members to finalise the final wording for the application form via email by the end of this week (13 September). **ACTION: All Sub-Ctte Members**  
2. An application to be made to the Chairman of NSC Fund for sport.  
**ACTION: Sub-Ctte Chairman.**

**STC/13/18 TO DISCUSS AND UNDERTAKE ACTIONS REFERRED TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE BY THE TEA COMMITTEE ON 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2013**

It was reported that at the last TEA Committee meeting the reports of the previous two Sub-Committee meetings had been received and noted with little further discussion.

**STC/13/19 TO CONTINUE TO DRAW UP A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE REMAINING TENNIS COURTS AT SALTHOUSE FIELDS**

Members felt in the first instance the priority should be to upgrade the courts to an acceptable safety standard to enable people to play tennis. This would require a minimum of new fencing. Re-lining; a new net and posts and possibly an entry system to access and pay for the courts were also discussed. The Sub-Committee Chairman volunteered to lock the courts at night.

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A second later stage could include resurfacing the courts. The Sub-Committee Chairman had been investigating costings for the fencing etc.

It was unclear whether NSC would keep the courts locked when the present licence arrangement comes to an end at the end of September.

**RESOLVED:** 1. To ascertain when the application to NSC Community Investment Fund will be determined as it would be preferable if this was before the final plan of action is presented to the TEA Committee.

**ACTION: Sub-Ctte Chairman.**

2.To prepare the draft of the final plan of action if at all possible before 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2013 when the next TEA Committee agenda will be sent out to Councillors.

**ACTION: All Sub-Ctte Members.**

**STC/13/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be arranged.

The meeting finished at 11.05 am

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN:.....

DATE: .....