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Minutes of the extraordinary Open Spaces Improvement Committee meeting held at Treloweth Community Hall, Moorfield Road, Pool, Redruth, Cornwall, TR15 3QB on Thursday 7th March 2024 at 10.30am.

Minutes

Present:

Councillors R. Drew, C. Jordan, S. Dale, M. Moyle, and B. Watkins (from point

mentioned)

Also Present:

Andrew Moyle-Browning (Clerk), Anita Hopkinson (Admin Assistant)

24/03/EX OSI/01 To elect a Chairman to hold the meeting. (Min Ref 23/12/OSI/02)

Resolved:

that Cllr Jordan is elected to chair the meeting.

Proposed:

Cllr. S. Dale

Seconded:

Cllr. M. Moyle

24/03/EX OSI/02 Welcome and safety procedures.

Cllr Jordan welcomed the meeting and explained the safety procedures.

24/03/EX OSI/03 To receive apologies for non-attendance.

Councillors D. Cooper (Vice Chairman) and E. Girling

24/03/EX OSI/04 Members to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and non-registerable interests.

(including the details thereof) in respect of any items on this agenda.

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests declared.

24/03/EX OSI/05 To consider written request(s) for dispensations.

There were no written requests for dispensations received.

24/03/EX OSI/06 Public Participation on items on the agenda. (Maximum of 20 minutes – every

speaker has a limit of 3 minutes under Council Standing Orders).

There were no members of the public present.

AH. Cooper

24/03/EX OSI/07 To receive and approve the minutes of the Open Spaces Improvements Committee meeting held 29th January 2024.

Resolved:

that the minutes of the Open Spaces Improvement Committee meeting

held on 29th January 2024 are approved.

Proposed:

Cllr. C. Jordan

Seconded:

Cllr. R. Drew

24/03/EX OSI/08 To consider the minutes of the Open Spaces Improvements Committee meeting held 29th January 2024 and receive any reports on matters referred.

The Clerk provided the following updates:

- That the external consultants' plans for Wheal Fortune Park were included in the pack for discussion.
- A report and update on Moorfield Road Open Space will be reported at the next meeting.

24/03/EX OSI/09 To receive and review the submitted external consultant design plans and cost estimates for the proposed improvements at Wheal Fortune Park and make appropriate recommendations / resolutions.

The designs to be reviewed were circulated ahead of the meeting. The Clerk briefed the committee on the process to review the designs and make any requests for design amendments and informed the meeting of the estimated project cost. The Clerk asked the committee to consider appropriate next steps in line with financial regulations regarding tendering for contracts.

The meeting viewed and discussed the design plans submitted.

Resolved:

Company 3 is discarded as the design is inappropriate for the needs of

the Council.

Proposed:

Cllr. S. Dale

Seconded:

Cllr. R. Drew

Resolved:

that Company 1, Option 1 is discarded as the design is inappropriate

for the needs of the Council.

Proposed:

Cllr. M. Movle

Seconded:

Cllr. S. Dale

Resolved:

that Company 2 is discarded as the design is inappropriate for the

needs of the Council.

Proposed:

Cllr. R. Drew

Seconded:

Cllr. S. Dale

Cllr B. Watkins arrived during discussions.

Resolved:

that Company 1, Option 2 design is the preferred option. It is requested that additional protective surfacing be included for all equipment with link paths between each piece of equipment.

Proposed:

Cllr. R. Drew

Seconded:

Cllr. B. Watkins

The meeting agreed that the Clerk research other surfacing material and fencing railings used by other local authorities.

Cllr Watkins left and returned during discussions.

The Clerk recommended that the committee consider any amendments to the specification to feedback to the consultants and advised that in line with Financial Regulations 18.2 an option for them to consider would be to recommend a suspension of Financial Regulations 11(b) regarding the tender process.

Resolved to Recommend:

that in line with Financial Regulations 18.2, due to the anticipated cost of the Wheal Fortune Improvements project being in excess of £60,000, that Standing Orders 19. (c) and Financial Regulations 11. (b) are suspended as the committee are satisfied with the 3 contractors currently engaged with, and a risk assessment of risks arising will be drawn up and presented in advance to Full Council to review.

Proposed:

Cllr. S. Dale

Seconded:

Cllr. B. Watkins

Cllr Moyle and Cllr Watkins left the meeting.

Resolved:

that the Clerk respond to Company's 1, 2 and 3 with an updated specification to include: a) A list of equipment as detailed in the Company 1, Option 2 design. b) There are pathway links between each piece of equipment in the design. c) Additional options with costings to be provided for different surfacing materials under each piece of equipment. d) Options and costings of alternative metal and composite fencing to run the length of the path to separate the play area to be provided. e) The Goal Post location to be sited on the opposite side of the park.

Proposed:

Cllr. S. Dale

Seconded:

Cllr. C. Jordan

Meeting closed at 12.00 noon

D.H. Cooper