

# Comberford Millennium Green Trust.

Meeting of Comberford Millennium Green Trust  
9<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 19:00, online via Zoom.

## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Trustee – Wigginton and Hopwas Parish Council - Cllr Croft, Cllr Moore, Cllr Stevens.  
Charity correspondent and Secretary to the Trust – Kate Clover

- 1. To receive apologies.**  
Cllr David Shirtliff and Cllr Jackie Shirtliff
- 2. To approve, if appropriate, the Minutes of the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021.**  
It was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021 as a true and accurate record.
- 3. To approve the financial report and receipt and payment accounts for the year ending 31st March 2021 (Appendix 2a & 2b)**  
It was RESOLVED to approve the financial report and receipts and payment accounts for 2020-21, signature to be obtained from two trustees & secretary to submit to the Charity Commission.
- 4. To approve the Trustees' Annual Report for the year ending 31st March 2021 (Appendix 3)**  
It was RESOLVED to approve the Trustees' Annual Report, signatures to be obtained & secretary to submit to the Charity Commission.
- 5. To approve the payments made from 1st April 2021 to date (Appendix 4)**  
It was RESOLVED to approve the payments made from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to date
- 6. To consider maintenance**  
The independent Annual Play Inspection had been conducted on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Secretary was awaiting the report, it was RESOLVED to hold a meeting in October to discuss the report with the aim of costing the necessary repairs and applying to the Parish Council for a grant before the Council's November meeting.
- 7. To discuss the Comberford Millennium Green Trust Renovation Project Survey results (Appendix 5)**  
The Trust were pleased to see the level of responses and interested to see the priorities of additional seating, play equipment and many of the comments showing an interest in preserving a quiet place for observing natural wildlife.
- 8. To discuss projected cost of renovation project and fundraising goals (Appendix 6)**  
The entire project had been difficult to fully cost and the outcome of quotations from play equipment specialists were particularly high. There appears to be insufficient available grant funding to carry out this type of project for an area with so few beneficiaries.
- 9. To consider further ideas and options for a smaller scale project if necessary (Appendix 7)**  
The Secretary was thanked for her work on this report. The timber commercial play frames appeared to represent good value and it was felt could last a substantial time if adequately maintained. The Living Willow idea could be worth pursuing and Cllr Croft mentioned the

possibility of approaching Rawletts School to see if this could be a project their gardening club may be interested in participating in. The addition of natural play items such as logs and boulders or 'messy' play would also be worth exploring as resources may be available within the parish to use.

**10. To discuss further ways of seeking the views and opinions of inhabitants on the use and enjoyment of the Comberford Millennium Green**

A community event on the Green could be held so Trustees and inhabitants could meet to discuss and explore ideas and seek the involvement of the community. A further questionnaire could be utilised in narrowing down options for equipment.

**11. To consider aiming to appoint a group of interested inhabitants under clause 21.1 of the Trust Deed to advise the Trustees on the continued care, maintenance and use of Comberford Millennium Green**

It was RESOLVED to seek potential members to form a group of interested inhabitants. Cllr Moore would discuss this idea with neighbours and via a community 'WhatsApp' group. The Secretary would contact the survey respondents who had sent in their contact details at the end of the survey requesting to be contacted further about this project.

The meeting closed at 20:01