

The minutes of the Community Projects Committee meeting held in the main hall at Gurnard Primary School in Hilton Road on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Day (Chairman) & Fuller, **Messrs** Lloyd & Rainey, **Mesdames** Marriott & Jackson and **Youth Advisors** Sam Flux & Matthew Church.

There were no comments from members of the Public (0)

- CP066      APOLOGIES  
Apologies were received from Mrs Vicky Slater who was unwell, from Mr Alan Jacobs who had a prior engagement and from Youth Advisor Ben Green who also had a prior engagement.
- CP067      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
There were no declarations of interest.
- CP068      MINUTES  
The minutes of the Community Projects Committee meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2008 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- CP069      MATTERS ARISING  
There were no matters arising.
- CP070      PLAY AREA PROJECT  
Minutes CP023, CP042, CP049, CPO056 & CP064 refer
- a.          Underground Utilities  
Scottish & Southern Energy has carried out a mini-survey of the play area site, and has responded that the plans sent were inaccurate in that the supply feed actually passes to the east of the footpath in the grassed area behind Woodvale pumping Station, so the site appears to be clear of all utility obstructions to the project work.
- b.          Perimeter Fencing  
2 new quotes for fencing of both timber picket and steel bow-top construction have been obtained and the committee members were given the details. The IW Council has advised that it strongly recommends using steel bow top as opposed to timber picket fencing.  
**Resolved: That the Committee accepts the steel bow top fencing quote for £11037.55 from local contractor JFK Landscaping.**
- c.          Project Budget  
The Committee set a budget in September of £53,000. However, this excluded any VAT element and some accurate fencing costs, and so consideration was given to altering the project budget figure.  
**Resolved: That the Committee adjusts the project budget to £66,000**
- d.          Play Scheme Exhibition 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> October 2008  
Ms Kathy Marriott produced a comprehensive report which was circulated to all members. About 80 people attended over the 2 days, and 50 of those made comment. Images and plans of the whole proposal were displayed and the manufacturer's representative was also present. Opinions were sought on the principle of the scheme as well as its design and location and there was an interactive element to the consultation exercise as well as the opportunity to

complete a response form. The response was overwhelmingly positive, with only 14% expressing some concern, with that being mainly about the prospect of vandalism.

e. Planning Application

A fee of £85 was negotiated, which has been paid. Mr Mike Rainey confirmed that the application is almost ready for submission, hopefully next week. It should feature in a mid-December press list and be open for public consultation over the Christmas period.

f. Funding

2 funding applications have been submitted so far, one for £10,000 and one for £60,000. Both were acknowledged but the £10,000 application was unsuccessful, and so now a further £10,000 application is being made just for the fencing. An expression of interest for EU funding for £15,000 has also been submitted and accepted, but the full application cannot be submitted until early January 2009. Other funding sources are being considered too. Apart from the £481.75 already drawn down, Gurnard Bonfire Society has pledged £1500 to the project. **Enquiries will be made about Big Lottery play scheme funding opportunities for local authorities. It was suggested considering the possibility of taking out a loan for part of the funding if it proves necessary and also of looking into obtaining local business and/or chamber of commerce sponsorship.**

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ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

a. No additional items were raised

The meeting closed at 8.16pm

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Chairman