Note of 10th Meeting of Langstone Community Consultation Working Group

Date: March 7th, 2016

Time: 6pm.

Present: Cllr K Dew (Chairman) (6.05 pm)

Mrs L Duthie
Cllr Y Edwards
Cllr T Jeffery
Mrs J Litt
Mrs L Littler

Mr E McKeand (LVH)

Cllr R Mogford (NCC) (6.25pm)

Apologies for absence:

Mr M McGow (NCC) Mr R Wood (NCC)

Mr McKeand chaired the meeting, as Cllr Dew was not expected to be able to attend. Details of some action plans are awaited.

1. Village Hall (LVH)

Disappointingly, there was nothing significant to report and concern was expressed as no progress concerning the S106 monies from the Lydia Beynon development had been received. Cllr Jeffery has a meeting at the Civic Centre on March 9th and will endeavour to meet with Alun Lowe (the development liaison officer), if time and opportunity allow, to discuss the matter.

Action: Mr McGow to draw up financial approval documents to ensure funds are passed to Langstone Community Council, who, with the trustees of the VH, will manage the tender process and project management of the refurbishment contract.

2. Maplewood Toddler Park (MTP).

The proposed meeting with Barrie Evans, a Belway representative, had taken place and a firm promise was made to satisfactorily complete the repair and painting of the gates and railings of the MTP. Mrs Litt reported that work had started today.

Action: work to be monitored by a member of the sub-committee.

3. Tendering Process of MTP and Centenary Field (CF).

Work is progressing by NCC officers on the documentation for the tender process for the supply of equipment for MTP and the Centenary Field (CF). The deadline for responses from bidding contractors is set at 12 noon on 1^{st} April, 2016, with tender analysis being completed by 22^{nd} April and the successful contract to be decided on 25^{th} April. Pre-contract meetings will be held in the period $26^{th} - 29^{th}$ April. It is hoped that the development of both parks will be completed by 22^{nd} July, with post installation safety certificates having been awarded to both sites.

The sub-committee members will decide on the preferred option for the MTP, the completion date of which will have to be clarified.

The young people who attended the exhibition and gave their comments and Mrs Cher Page will be contacted in advance of the meetings and this group will be invited to meet to discuss the options with a view to choosing one of the designs.

Action: Cllr Jeffery to e-mail all interested parties regarding a meeting.

Action: completion date to be clarified.

4. War Memorial (WM).

Again, there was little progress to report, as the officer responsible for seeking planning permission is on sick leave.

Two further contractors had been identified for the tendering exercise.

Action: planning permission to be sought by NCC officers.

5. AOB

As there was no other business, the meeting closed at 6.50 pm.

The next meeting is provisionally planned for Friday, 25th April at 6pm in the Kennet Room.
