

**Coronavirus Contingency Committee Meeting
29 April 2020**

Present: Councillors Bugge, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon, Mitchell and Wilson.

5 members of the public were in attendance.

NB – This meeting was held online, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020.

438 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All committee members were in (remote) attendance.

439 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations other than those already stated in members' respective register of interests.

440 MINUTES

Resolved that the respective minutes of the meetings held on 24 March and 15 April 2020 be approved.

441 WIND TURBINES, TELEPHONE MASTS, SOLAR PANELS

The council chairman reported on the possible utilization of council land by utility companies for the benefit of the council.

Resolved that a survey be permitted and the results reported back in due course.

442 SEWAGE DISCHARGE, HEMSWORTH WATER PARK

The council chairman reported that Wakefield Council is currently investigating the sewage discharge at the water park.

Resolved that the report of the council chairman be noted and approved.

443 SANDYGATE AND CEMETERY ROAD FOOTBALL FACILITIES – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that the respective planning applications in respect of Sandygate and Cemetery Road football facilities be put on hold for the time being.

444 GRANT APPLICATION

Resolved that:

- A donation of £200 be made to Hemsworth Community Parent and Toddler Group food bank to assist the community and mitigate the impact of the current coronavirus outbreak, in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.
- A donation of £150 be made in due course to Little Legs play group, to assist the community and mitigate the impact of the current coronavirus outbreak, in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.

445 ALLOTMENTS - SANDYGATE

Resolved that the request to use the paddock concerned be approved conditional upon the tenant accepting full responsibility.

446 FITZWILLIAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

Resolved that the request to repair a damaged door in connection to the centre be approved.

447 HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

Resolved that this item be deferred.

448 PROVISION OF MEALS

Resolved that:

- Meals be provided and delivered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Sundays.
- The service commence on 4 May 2020.
- The charge be £3 per meal unless suffering hardship.

449 NEW WEBSITE

Resolved that Cllr Bugge and the council's head of security progress this matter and liaise with the website provider.

450 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX

Resolved that the request to use council land for a fireworks display be declined.

451 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

452 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX

Resolved that the legal advice from Mr Paul Stookes be received, accepted and approved in respect of the sports complex.

453 CORONAVIRUS – HMRC FURLOUGH SCHEME

The town clerk confirmed which members of staff are to be furloughed, in accordance with minute no 436 (a).

Resolved that the report of the town clerk be noted and approved.

The meeting closed at 10:45.