

**Coronavirus Contingency Committee Meeting
24 June 2020**

Present: Councillors G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon, Mitchell and Womersley.

Two 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.

508 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bugge and Wilson.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

509 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mitchell declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 4 (c) – Allotments – Charging for keys.

510 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2020 be approved.

511 ALLOTMENTS

a) A request for a tap near a community plot

Resolved that the request be approved.

b) A request to place a caravan on a plot

Resolved that:

- The request is declined.
- The head of security will investigate occurrences of caravans on plots without permission and report back accordingly.

c) Charging for keys

Having declared a pecuniary interest, Cllr Mitchell took no part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

Resolved that the charge for keys be £3.

512 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Resolved that:

- The request from Weight Watchers be delegated to the town clerk in accordance with government regulations.
- The community centre will re-open to the public on 6 July 2020 with COVID secure measures in place.

513 FOOTBALL FACILITIES

a) Request from West End Terriers FC regarding training

Resolved that:

- The main grass pitches at Cemetery Road and Sandygate cannot be used for training.

- The small, lower grass pitch at Sandygate can be used free of charge.
- The astroturf pitch can be used but at the standard fee.
- Changing rooms remain closed.

b) Request from Hemsworth Town FC and Shoot Academy regarding fees for 2020-21

Resolved that the request from Hemsworth Town FC be approved as follows:

- Their established bookings will remain for the 2020-21 season.
- The rent/fees for use of grass pitches at Sandygate will be waived for the 2020-21 season.
- Charges will remain for use of the astroturf at Sandygate.

Resolved that the request from Shoot Academy be declined and that charges remain for the use of the astroturf pitch at Sandygate.

514 HEMSWORTH WATER PARK

Resolved that:

- Playworld remain closed.
- Pedalos remain out of use.
- Portaloos be situated near the patio area and at the far side of the car park but to open from 4 July 2020 with COVID secure measures in place.
- The beach shop toilets to open from 4 July 2020 with COVID secure measures in place.
- The disabled toilet in the café bar to open from 4 July 2020 with COVID secure measures in place.

515 LAKESIDE CAFÉ BAR

a) Meal delivery service

Resolved that the meal delivery service be reviewed after the re-opening of the café bar.

b) Takeaway services at the beach shop and catering unit

Resolved that the takeaway service at the beach shop and catering unit continue but with management discretion to open later or close early respectively for clement or inclement weather.

c) Possible re-opening on 4 July 2020

Resolved that the café bar re-open on 4 July 2020 with COVID secure measures in place and the matter be kept under review in accordance with changing circumstances and government regulations.

d) Walk in fridge freezer

Resolved that this item be deferred pending receipt of another quote.

516 HEMSWORTH FESTIVAL

Resolved that:

- The festival be postponed and re-scheduled for 31 May 2021.
- Tickets already sold will be honoured and offered a free meal/drink voucher for the day of the festival.
- Refund requests will be granted.

517 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

The town clerk advised there is no budget for the proposed tri-deck mower and that if approved the cost would need to be borne by the reserves and/or from savings made in other cost centres, e.g. having no seasonal staff costs in April, May and June.

Resolved that the quote from Balmers GM Ltd for a tri-deck mower be accepted.

518 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.

519 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX

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

The meeting closed at 11:00.