

Minutes of Park and Environment Committee held “remotely”.

At 7.00 p.m. on the 26th of January 2022.

PRESENT: Councillors: J Slate Chair, G Bevan, P Totterdale, C Evans

1. Apologies: Cllrs Elwyn Williams.

One elector present in addition to Howard Davies Clerk.

2. Declaration of interest - none.

3. The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th of December 2021 were confirmed as a true record (**Minute 1022 - P3**)

4. The Chair went through the detailed independent Annual Inspection report undertaken on behalf of Carmarthenshire County Council, by The Play Inspection Company, which was completed on the 20th of May 2021, and shared its contents which extended to 73 pages with all present.

She was pleased to advise that the report had not identified any risks rated higher than medium, and this related to the skateboard arena, which was already being addressed via a repairs inspection schedule, where dependent on the cost of repairing those items identified they would either need to be repaired if cost effective to do so or replaced.

The remaining findings all fell in the very low to low-risk category and following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Chair would draw up a works schedule action plan, which will help address the concerns identified in these areas, with the handyman being asked to complete the simpler tasks. The remaining tasks to be tackled over the medium term.

It was also agreed that the risks associated with the changes in levels around the fences to the upper play area, could be addressed when the contractor was awarded the contract to upgrade this area, where discussions with contractors are continuing.

The Chair was also able to advise that works were already in place to improve the signage within the park.

This works schedule will then become a “work in progress document” with items being removed once addressed. The handyman in fairness does undertake visual inspections of the park equipment reporting any defects identified on his “walk abouts”.

Discussions continue with Carmarthen C C to try and get an inspection and repair contract for the park equipment, which will help address the concerns identified in these areas through a programme of visual inspections and planned maintenance.

ACTION POINT: Chair to draw up an appropriate Action Plan To address the very low/low level risks identified, with this to be shared with all Councillors and the handyman.

5.Date of next meeting to be confirmed.

As there was no other business meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Signed as true record:

Date: