

# DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

24<sup>th</sup> January 2023

At a meeting of the **Recreation Committee** held on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023** upon the rising of the Planning Committee.

**Present:** Councillors K Cogman (Vice-Chairman), H Clarke (substitute for C Bunting), P Duigan, P Morton and H King.

Also in attendance: Councillors S Green and H Jones-Seymour , Town Clerk Tony Needham and Deputy Town Clerk Jillian Barron.

1. **To receive apologies for absence.**  
Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Brooks, C Bunting and L Monument.

2. **Declaration of Interest**  
There were no declarations of interest.

3. **To consider the principle of converting one of the tennis courts at the Recreation Ground into a Multi-use Games Area (MuGA).**

The committee recommended to agree in principle converting one of the tennis courts at the Recreation Ground into a Multi-use Games Area. This would be added to the balanced score card for future prioritization.

4. **To consider additional applications for local green space designation.**

The committee were content with the Local Green Space applications submitted by the Clerk

5. **To consider taking over open spaces from Breckland Council to facilitate improved play provision in the north of Dereham.**

The committee recommended that the Town Council take over open spaces from Breckland Council at Sandy Lane and Girling Road to facilitate improved play provision in the north of Dereham and request a 10 year maintenance contribution.

6. **To consider matters to be included in the tendering for improved play provision in the north of Dereham.**

The committee agreed with the Town Clerk's draft report and made the following recommendations:

The committee recommended that the selected contractor be required to consult with local residents due to the play equipment being installed in close proximity to residential properties.

The committee recommended that the Town Council ask families in the area who have children with disabilities to come forward and make suggestions for equipment which they have found of value, prior to the tenders being sent out.

7. **To consider matters to be included in the tender for refurbishing the skate park.**

The committee agreed with the Town Clerk's report that the preferred contractor when selected engage with current users of the skate park and turn the concept ideas into an actual design.

**Chairman**