Minutes of the Meeting of the NONSUCH PARK JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held on 29 May 2018

PRESENT -

Councillor Jill Whitehead (London Borough of Sutton) (Chairman); Councillor Chris Frost (Epsom & Ewell Borough Council), Councillor Drew Heffernan (London Borough of Sutton), Councillor Peter Geiringer (London Borough of Sutton) and Councillor Mike Teasdale (Epsom & Ewell Borough Council).

<u>In Attendance:</u> Paul Airey (Nonsuch Voles) and Gerald Smith (Friends of Nonsuch)

<u>Absent:</u> Councillor Jenny Batt (London Borough of Sutton) and Councillor Alex Clarke (Epsom & Ewell Borough Council) Kathryn Beldon (Substituted by Amardip Healy)

Officers present: Dominic Aslangul (Neighbourhood Manager) (From 11.00am), Amardip Healy (Chief Legal Officer), Mark Shephard (Head of Property and Regeneration), Brendan Bradley (Chief Accountant) and Sandra Dessent (Democratic Services Officer)

1 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING (IF REQUIRED)

No questions were asked by members of the public

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In the interests of openness and transparency the following declarations were made:

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Chris Frost BSc, Other Interest: Ward Councillor for Nonsuch (Epsom & Ewell Borough Council).

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Councillor Drew Heffernan, Other Interest: Ward Councillor for Worcester Park (London Borough of Sutton).

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Councillor Jill Whitehead, Other Interest: Ward Councillor for Carshalton Central (London Borough of Sutton).

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Mike Teasdale, Other Interest: Ward Councillor for Stoneleigh (Epsom & Ewell Borough Council).

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Councillor Peter Geiringer, Other Interest: Ward Councillor for Nonsuch (London Borough of Sutton).

3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Nonsuch Joint Management Committee held on 29 January 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4 APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRMAN FOR 2018/19

Councillor Jill Whitehead (London Borough of Sutton) was appointed Chairman of the Nonsuch Park Joint Management Committee for the 2018/19 Municipal Year

5 FENCING IN THE FORMAL GARDENS

The Committee received a report requesting approval for Nonsuch Voles to apply for funding to erect additional fencing in the formal gardens. It was noted that in places the existing fence was in a poor state of repair, allowing dogs and people access to the gardens when they were locked. There had been instances of vandalism especially in the evening when the gardens were locked. As a result security was a major concern.

Nonsuch Voles were proposing to apply for funding from the SUEZ Communities Landfill Trust and in order to proceed 11.5% match funding was required. Following investigations into appropriate fencing Nonsuch Voles recommended that a type of prison fencing be used which as well as being extremely durable, the colour would match other fencing around the gardens and blend in with the surroundings. Visuals of the suggested fencing was presented to members at the meeting.

The Committee was informed that the fencing was estimated to cost £19,000 and therefore a sum of £2,185 match funding would be needed to secure the finance. Gerald Smith informed the Committee that Friends of Nonsuch would contribute £2,000 towards the match funding. The Committee expressed thanks for their donation.

It was noted that Nonsuch Voles would be coordinating the project and the Committee acknowledged the enormous amount of work undertaken by the Nonsuch Voles along with other volunteer organisations involved with Nonsuch Park.

Having considered the proposal, the Committee;

- (1) Approved the Nonsuch Vole's proposal to apply for funding for security fencing in the formal gardens
- (2) Agreed to the provision of match funding (approximately £2,200) from the working balance account in the event such funding was needed if donations were not available.

6 NONSUCH PARK JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - FINAL ACCOUNTS 2017/18

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

7 MAINTENANCE PLAN & PRIORITY WORKS 2018-2019

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

8 EVENTS IN THE PARK

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

9 PROGRESS REPORT

This items was deferred to the next meeting

10 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Committee resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended) and that pursuant to paragraph 10 of Part 2 of the said Schedule 12A the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

11 PROGRESS REPORT ON ITEMS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

The Committee agreed a way forward as set out in the Minutes.

Note: The details are considered officially sensitive at this time and the Minute for this item will be exempt from publication.

12 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes from the meeting of the Nonsuch Park Joint Management Committee held on the 29 January 2018 have not been published because the meeting was closed to the press and public on the grounds that the nature of the business to be transacted/nature of the proceedings dealt with information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

The meeting began at 10.10 am and ended at 11.40 am

COUNCILLOR JILL WHITEHEAD (CHAIRMAN)