

for one form per 'class' (rather than individually) to ask 'under 12's' if they had seen/used junior keep fit equipment before, would they use it in the park, what would their favourite be, what did they enjoy, what they didn't like or use? The park was open 364 days per year and although locked overnight for security, it was more freely available to the community than equipment that the schools might have in their grounds. Cllr Miss N Browne hoped to proceed with the questionnaire and the Clerk would endeavour to supply colour photos to go on the questionnaire.

ACTION

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6. Grant Funding Opportunities

The Outline Plan and draft survey had now been agreed under the previous item 5. The Clerk reported that the application for funding of a commemorative bench to the St. Thomas Dole charity had not been successful but had heard their application to the Dame Mary Bridgeman Trust for the replacement tree at the Sensory Peace Garden might have been approved, although confirmation was awaited.

Clerk 21/

7. Working Party Report.

None submitted.

8. Youth Councils.

Members noted that Cllr Miss N Browne served on the Board set up by Solihull MBC after the previous Youth Council was disbanded and felt not to be sufficiently representative. It was unclear what future changes may take place or if it was being reformed. The Clerk undertook to forward this question to Solihull Area Committee to put to the Borough Chief Executive at a meeting taking place later in January.

Clerk
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9. Youth Council Visits.

Following consensus at an earlier meeting, members **AGREED** to attend the public gallery to watch the Solihull Council meeting on Tuesday 3rd February at 5.30 p.m. Members should meet at the circle near Costa coffee shop in Touchwood at 5.15 pm and then walk to the Civic Suite. Members agreed to notify councillors who were not present of the arrangements by text or email. (The reserve date of 14th April was not as convenient for members because of revision commitments.)

Members
3/2 at 5.15 pm

10. Clerk's Report.

The Clerk extended congratulations to Cllr J Smith who had won the parish council's Award for Service to the Community at Park Hall Academy. Members noted the planned public meeting to promote and explain the Community Speedwatch scheme on Wednesday 18th February at 7.00 pm and the new legislation that allowed members of the public to attend and record council meetings. There were protection measures for young people under 18 but the Clerk was unsure how this would relate to youth councillors and would circulate guidance for the next meeting when it would be on the agenda. There had been technical problems trying to register for membership of the British Youth Council so this was still not completed. A new stock of badges for members had been received and copies of meeting dates and contact information had been tabled. Cllr Mrs. Allen said she had ordered bluebells for the Sensory Peace Garden at the village green for members to plant in the spring.

Members
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Members
date to be
confirmed