



SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee

Minutes of the Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Tuesday, 20 March 2018 commencing at 7:32pm.

Members Present

Councillor Cook
Councillor Loader

Councillor Jackson

Absent:

Councillors Hall, Kirton and Proctor

Officers Present:

Claire Commons, Town Clerk
Andy Dodd, Head Groundsman

In Attendance

4 members of the public
Councillors Lewer and Brown

MINUTES**Public Participation**

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern. The following matters were raised;

- Thank you to the Finance and Services Officer for attending the OSG meetings, very helpful
- Thank you to Mr Tagney for the ancient monument plan
- Gold Hill Wall, Open Spaces Group are pleased to see progression and look forward to a consistent programme.
- Salisbury Street Green. It was asked whether the Town Council seeks to take ownership of it.
- Footpaths, very important, the first area is in the east where the development has taken place and a tremendous extra pressure on the paths. Possibly look at s.106 to improve the footpath. The other path is breach common, is virtually impassable in winter months, Shaftesbury Open Spaces Group are looking at a management plan.
- Castle Mound. Nothing controversial, recommend asking the rangers how much it will cost to do the extra work.

R57 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Hall, Kirton and Proctor due to personal commitments.

R58 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

All members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose.

R59 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to defer the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 13 February 2018.

R60 Scheduled Ancient Monuments

R60a Officer report 0318ROSE4 was received and it was **RESOLVED** that the 'story document' be adopted without amendment and;

R60b That the Town Council be the formal body to submit the agreed form to Heritage Lottery Fund with the support from the Shaftesbury Open Spaces Group and;

R60c That the Town Council writes to the owner of 'The Fishponds' to inform them of the proposal.

R61 Gold Hill Wall

R61a Officer report 0318ROSE5 was received and it was **RESOLVED** that the Head Groundsman, a representative from Shaftesbury Open Spaces Group and the Lead Councillor for Internal Engagement (Councillor Jackson) work together on a management plan for approval by Historic England for incorporation into the routine schedule of grounds work;

R61b That the Council carries out a full Health and Safety, Risk Assessment and Method Statement for any proposed works on the wall and seeks quotations for external contractors to carry out the work as well as internal management.

R62 Salisbury Street Green

R62a Officer report 0318ROSE6 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to request of Dorset County Council to take ownership of Salisbury Street Green.

R63 Footpaths

R63a Officer report 0318ROSE7 was received and it was **RESOLVED** that the Lead Councillor for Residents Lifestyle Outdoor, Cllr Kirton co-ordinates for all Councillors to share the walking of all definitive footpaths in Shaftesbury to ascertain their condition by 30th June and to provide a report back to the Council for any remedial action.

R64 Castle Mound

R64a Officer report 0313ROSE8 was received and noted. It was **RESOLVED** to investigate the costs for alternative care arrangements including; Goats / Sheep from the community farm and internal and external costs for cut and remove grass

R65 Wincombe Recreation Ground

R65a Officer report 0318ROSE9 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to purchase replacement safety bark for the play area (*Financial Implication: £3,461 grounds repairs and maintenance*).

R66 Officer Report

R66a Officer report 0318Rose10 was received and noted.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.40pm.

Signed

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