

**SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL****Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee held in the Council Chamber, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Tuesday 29th November 2016 commencing at 7:00pm.

Members Present:

Councillor K Tippins (Chair)
Councillor Francis
Councillor R Tippins

Councillor Taylor (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Jackson
Councillor Todd

Officers Present:

Claire Commons, Interim Deputy Town Clerk
Nick Randle, Locum Town Clerk

In Attendance:

Six members of the public

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 items were raised;

- Cycle track. The Rotary spoke in support of its proposal for a cycle track at Wincombe Recreation Ground.
- Salisbury Street. The Open Spaces Group attended regarding the green area at Salisbury Street.
- Enmore Green. Support to get the pond dredged.
- Town Clerk. Asking about the outcome of the previous meeting.

R36 Apologies

There were no members absent.

R37 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

No declarations of interest or dispensations had been received. Members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose. Councillor Jackson declared an interest in the bench request as the applicant was a personal friend.

R38 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20th September 2016 as a correct record. The minutes were duly signed.

R39 Chairman's updates

Bury Litton. It was reported that Bury Litton (Churchyard at St John's Hill) had been removed from the Historic England 'At Risk' register.

Mampitts Road. Design concepts had been received for a play area.

Town Orderly. The Human Resources Committee had resolved to recruit for a Town Orderly.

Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan Group was identifying and specifying green spaces.

R40 Cycle Racing Track

Officer report 1116ROSE05 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to support the proposal in principle to allocate approximately one third of the open spaces at Wincombe Recreation Ground for cycling.

R41 Park Walk – Bench Request

Officer report 1116ROSE06 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to grant permission for a memorial bench on Park Walk, details as outlined in the report.

R42 Grounds Team Mower

Officer report 1116ROSE07 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council the purchase of a Ransomes MP653 mower subject to the requisite Risk Assessment and training being carried out.

R43 Enmore Green Pond - dredging

Officer Report 1116ROSE08 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council that the pond at Enmore Green be dredged and the appropriate budgetary provision be identified for the works.

R44 Park Walk and Jubilee Steps

Officer Report 1116ROSE09 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to delegate up to £1,000 for the painting of the railings on Park Walk. (*Financial Implication - £1,000 Street Furniture*)

It was **RESOLVED** to instruct the Grounds team to prepare a schedule of works for the shelter on Park Walk for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

R45 Swimming Pool

Officer Report 1116ROSE10 was received. It was **RESOLVED** to delegate up to £750 to Officers for the improvement of drainage at the Swimming Pool. (*Financial Implication - £750 Swimming Pool*)

R46 Donkey Field Community Orchard

Officer Report 1116ROSE11 was received. **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council to enter into a Licence Agreement with the Donkey Field Community Orchard.

R47 Officer Report and Future Meetings of the Committee

Officer Report 1116ROSE12 was received. It was reported that a design for improvements to the play area at Cockrams and the land at Mampitts Road had been received and direction from the Committee was sought. Direction was sought from the Committee regarding goody bags received from a play equipment supplier and it was **AGREED** to include consideration of this matter at the next meeting of the Committee.

- Cockrams toddler equipment
- Trees at Tout Hill
- Top of Gold Hill Wall
- Litter Bins – location and condition report
- Rose Garden – grounds team report
- Tout Hill railings – consideration for painting, ownership to be identified.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:25pm

Signed

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