



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 November 2018 commencing at 7.43pm.

Members Present

Councillor Hall (Chair)
Councillor Jackson
Councillor Proctor

Councillor Cook
Councillor Loader

Absent:

Councillors Kirton

Officers Present:

Claire Commons, Town Clerk
Zoe Moxham, Office Administrator
Andy Dodd, Head Groundsman

In Attendance:

11 members of public, (2 representative from open spaces group)
2 members of the press
Councillors Brown, Lewer and Taylor.

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;

- Castle Mound - A representative of the Open Spaces group as the following questions:
A member of the press asked about Castle mound and the 'at Risk' register.
- Street furniture - Was consultation being carried out with a local expert regarding the Town's design plan for Town furniture, including St James Railings? – Yes

R34 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Kirton due to family commitments.

R35 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

All members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose. None were declared.

R36 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16th October 2018. They were duly signed.

R37 Swimming Pool

Officer report 1118ROSE4 was received and noted.

R37a It was **AGREED** to pass on congratulations to the pool team for their hard work and to ask them for feedback regarding maintenance jobs before the next season.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK/FINANCE AND SERVICES OFFICER

R38 The Wilderness

Officer report 1118ROSE5 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to;

R38a Consult with the public via an online survey and social media.

R38b Recommend to Full Council to support the purchase.

R38c Investigate costs through a professional negotiator.

R38d To approach the current landowner regarding the Council's interest in purchasing the land.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

R39 St James Footpath

Officer report 1118ROSE6 was received and noted.

R39a It was **AGREED** to carry out a public consultation after the path has been made safe to decide on future action.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK/FINANCE AND SERVICES OFFICER

R40 Castle Hill

Officer report 1118ROSE7 was received and noted.

R40a It was **AGREED** to try a non-glysohate product to maintain the footpaths.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK/FINANCE AND SERVICES OFFICER

R41 Mampitts Square

Officer report 1118ROSE8 was received and noted.

R41a It was **AGREED** to contact the National Citizen Service (NCS) group during the consultation process.

ACTION: FINANCE AND SERVICES OFFICER

R42 Tree Charter

Officer report 1118ROSE9 was received and noted.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.07pm.

Signed

Date

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