



FLEET TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION, LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday 20 December 2017

The Harlington

PRESENT

Councillors:

Paul Einchcomb (Chairman)
Denis Gotel
Alan Oliver
Bob Schofield

Also Present

Janet Stanton-Town Clerk
Alex Robins-Harlington General Manager

Dave Harrison-Friends of Basingbourne
Lindsay Soars-Friends of Basingbourne

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was an apology for absence from Cllr Jasper

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Einchcomb- Item 10- Friends of Basingbourne Park

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 3 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dave Harrison of The Friends of Basingbourne Park, asked for a response to the email he had sent regarding the proposed works for inclusion in the Volunteer Day on 6 January 2018. The Clerk confirmed that arrangements would be made for a speedy response

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

With the correction to spellings at item 6 storage (not stage) defibrillator and park (not parking), and the correction of 'was' to 'were' at item 13, the minutes of the meeting of the RLA committee held on 20 September 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Cllr Oliver updated members on the status of the proposed Parking Order (item 8 Parking in Calthorpe Park)

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 5 THE HARLINGTON AND ANCELLS FARM COMMUNITY CENTRE

The report of the General Manager of the Harlington for the period Sept –Nov 2017 was presented and the following matters were discussed:

- The Chairman commented on the success of 2 events he had attended at the Harlington
- The successful gala performance of the pantomime and the generally good reviews
- A final report on the outcome of the pantomime was requested from Starburst
- During December 2017 Box office takings (£18,000) Bar (£12,500) and 11,000 tickets sold
- Bar takings (£6,000) at 80's night
- Ticket prices
- Review of set up for shows in 2018

RESOLVED

To note the report

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 6 FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACES MANAGER'S REPORT

Members received the report of the FOSM for the last quarter

The report was discussed and in particular:

- The siting of benches at the tennis courts to be reviewed

RESOLVED

To note the report of the FOSM

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 7 CEMETERY OFFICER'S REPORT

The members considered the report of the Cemetery Officer which provided an update on the following matters:

- Moss on pathways
- New burial area
- Entrance winter planting
- Progress on the Garden of Remembrance

RESOLVED

- a) To note the report of the Cemetery Officer

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 8 REQUEST FROM CRONDALL PETANQUE CLUB

The members considered a request from the Crondall Petanque Club for a terrain with floodlights within one of FTC's parks.

Although the members would have liked to approve the request they were mindful of lack of space in all the parks and following discussion , therefore reluctantly

RESOLVED

To refuse permission for the establishment of an area for petanque in FTC’s parks

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 9 REQUEST TO FLOODLIGHT THE SKATE PARK IN THE VIEWS

Members considered a request from a member of the public to floodlight the Skatepark in the Views.

Members generally supported the possibility of enhancing the skatepark with floodlights. However it was considered to be premature at this stage but should be considered for inclusion in any future scheme for the Harlington/The Views

RESOLVED

To reconsider the matter when the future of the area is under consideration

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 10 BASINGBOURNE PARK PLAY AREA

The members considered a report on the Basingbourne play area and the suggested funding for the project

Members discussed:

- Grants
- S106 Funding
- Play equipment and the play area

RESOLVED

- a) To RECOMMEND to Council that an application be made to HDC for S106 funding up to £40,000
- b) That an approach be made to Church Crookham PC for a contribution from their allocation of S106 funding
- c) The status of the existing quotations to be checked
- d) Thanks to the Friends of Basingbourne Park be recorded

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 11 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The members noted the latest update and proposed timescale for the letting of the new Grounds Maintenance Contract from 1 April 2018

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 12 REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The report of the Town Clerk was noted and the date suggested for the Friends Get Together was Tuesday 20 February 2018

RLA Dec 2017 ITEM 13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Wednesday 14 March 2018 at the Harlington at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.02 pm

Chairman.....Date.....