

MINUTES of the LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING of

FAKENHAM TOWN COUNCIL

held at Fakenham Connect, Oak Street, Fakenham

on TUESDAY 22 October 2019 at 5:30pm

PRESENT:

Councillor M Coates (Chairman, Presiding)

Town Cllrs: P Hannon, M Dutton, D Andrews, J Holdom, P Bucknell, J Rockett, J Foortse

Town Clerk: L Jennings

Public: None

| | AGENDA | Action (initials) |
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| 77 | APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE No apologies were received. | |
| 78 | ELECTORS QUESTIONS An elector had raised an issue regarding speeding traffic on Whitelands. He has asked the Council to write to Highways. The Clerk will ask for road calming i.e. chicanes. | Clerk |
| 79 | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none. | |
| 80 | MINUTES On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Coates, the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2019 were AGREED and signed by the Chairman. | |
| 81 | MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES Minute 72 – a query was raised regarding the positioning of the hedging. The Clerk will work with the Groundsmen. Minute 67 – The Clerk and the Hempton Parish Clerk have met and discussed the letter regarding Goggs Mill Road. Minute 71 – Cllr Foortse will send the link to the ‘Friendly Bench’. On the proposition of Cllr Foortse, seconded by Cllr Dutton that the Council applies for this grant. All in favour. Minute 70/53 – A letter has been sent to the Shrine at Walsingham but no response has been received. Minute 75 – The Clerk will enquire if the National Children’s Funeral Fund is now active. | Clerk GF Clerk |
| 82 | COUNCIL’S ESTATE Hayes Lane – The corner of Hayes Lane with Goggs Mill Road needs a path cutting across the verge. The Clerk will speak to the grass cutting contractors. Aldiss Park – Cllr Dutton would like to meet the grass cutting contractors to discuss the best space for a wild flower area. Councillors would like to see one of the Groundsmen attend a chain saw course. Creake Road Cemetery - the windows and doors need replacing on the building. The Clerk will obtain three quotes. Goggs Mill Picnic area – The top strand of wire in the new fencing needs to be replaced with some thicker wire. The Groundsmen will do this. Millennium Park – A fitness company would like to use the park and | Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk |

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| | the gym equipment for a boot camp. This will be aimed at parents who drop their children at the locals schools. Councillors would like more information regarding what they will charge, and their knowledge of First Aid. Councillors are keen to help with this project. | Clerk |
| 83 | WHITELANDS PLAY AREA On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Foortse that the Council purchases the largest piece of play equipment. The funding is made up of a grant from Tesco's, monies raised by Laura Woods from Whitelands and match funding by the Town Council. All in favour. The Clerk will meet with Mrs Woods to finalise the piece of equipment. | Clerk |
| 84 | TO PURCHASE REPAIR EQUIPMENT FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL'S PLAY AREAS Following the recent inspection of play equipment by RoSPA repairs to some equipment is needed. On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Foortse propose that the equipment is purchased from GB Sport & Leisure. All in favour. | Clerk |
| | Cllr Foortse left the meeting | |
| 85 | ALLOTMENTS MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2019 were received. On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Holdom that some of the vacant allotment plots are opened up to residents of surrounding villages. All in favour. A notice will be placed in the Fakenham Sun. | Clerk |
| 86 | PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL WHEELS & A PLOUGH The allotment income will cover the cost of wheels and a single furrow plough. On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Holdom that the clerk purchases a plough for no than £500. All in favour. The Clerk will also confirm the prices of wheels. | Clerk |
| 87 | BUDGET 2020/2021 Budget figures were discussed and Councillors asked to come to the next meeting with any requests. Next meeting agenda. | Clerk |
| 88 | TO DISCUSS THE STATE OF THE ROUNDABOUTS NEAR MORRISONS The Clerk has approached the grass cutting contractor informally to enquire if clearing the roundabouts is possible. She will ask for costings and also photograph some of the maintained ones around the County. | Clerk |
| | Cllr Bucknell left the meeting | |
| 89 | SPORTING FACILITIES Cllr Dutton has been in contact with organisations but has nothing to report. This will be an item on the next agenda. | Clerk |
| 90 | TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING; 26 November 2019 at 5.30pm | |
| | There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.12pm Confirmed this day of 2019 <p style="text-align: center;"><u>CHAIRMAN</u></p> | |