

AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting in the Large Hall of the Town Hall, Calne On Monday 10th December 2018

PRESENT: Cllr Glenis Ansell – Town Mayor (Ex officio)
Cllr John Bennett
Cllr Declan Boore – Vice Chair
Cllr Heather Canfer – Chair
Cllr David Conway
Cllr Mewett (arrived 18:40)
Cllr Ian Thorn
Cllr MacNaughton (Chair of Skate Park Working Group)

OFFICERS: Jeannette Young – Director of Council Services
Stuart West - Head of Operations

IN ATTENDANCE: Natasha Griffin – Committee Clerk

PRESS & PUBLIC:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

2 Members of the public were present.

The members of the public present discussed their interest in continuing with Phase 2 of the skate park and the benefits to the young people of Calne. Phase 2 will give opportunities for current users to progress and improve their skills. Ideas for funding have also been discussed.

57/18 APOLOGIES

Cllr Jones, Cllr Marshall and Deputy Town Mayor - Cllr Merrick

58/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

59/18 MINUTES

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, Cllr Ansell, seconded by Cllr Boore and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Monday 22nd October 2018 having been circulated, and were signed by the Chair.

60/18 WORKING GROUP MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Boore, seconded by the Town Mayor, Cllr Ansell and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to bring forward item 4.2 – Skate Park working Group and 4.2.1. – Draft recommendation to be considered and approved.

60/18.1 Skate Park Working Group

Members noted that a meeting was held on 10th December 2018. Cllr MacNaughton noted that four events were held during the summer at the skate park and were well attended. At this time, phase 2 was discussed and interest was shown for plans to move forward. Approval is needed in order for the Head of Operations to submit the planning application.

60/18.1.1 Skate Park Phase 2

It was proposed by Cllr Canfer, seconded by Cllr Boore and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to move forward with Phase Two of the Skate Park, and an agreement that Officer time be allocated to the project up to and including completion. An initial allocation of £500 to allow for Planning Permission to be sought taken from Earmarked Reserves and a meeting of the Skatepark Working Group be arranged.

60/18.2 Sports Facilities Working Group

Members noted that a meeting is to be arranged.

61/18 Nature Trail Enhancement

Members noted the report. Cllr Bennett raised the question as to the reason for increasing river flow rates as noted in the report of the Head of Operations. The Head of Operations stated that increasing flow would increase oxygen and plant growth and is approved by the Environment Agency. Members noted their interested in Bristol Avon Rivers Trust presenting at a future Full Council committee meeting to learn more about their aims and the improvements they are planning to deliver.

It was proposed by Cllr Thorn, seconded by Cllr Conway and

RESOLVED to allocate the unspent £6007.03 sum of committed funding from Earmarked Reserves to further enhance the Nature Trail,

to seek match-funding if it is available and to delegate to the Head of Operations to action.

62/18 Lease Renewal – Quemerford Lodge Plantation, owned by Bowood Estate

Members discussed that it would not be of benefit to CTC to renew the lease with Bowood Estate.

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, Cllr Ansell, seconded by Cllr Thorn and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED not renew the lease with Bowood Estate for the area of Quemerford Lodge Plantation.

63/18 BUDGET AND RESERVES

Members noted the budget and reserves.

64/18 STRATEGIC PLAN

Members noted the action plan.

65/18 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was proposed by Cllr Boore, seconded by the Town Mayor, Cllr Ansell and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that in view of the sensitive nature of the business to be transacted, that the public be excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.

Public Meeting Closed at: 19:04

66/18 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Boore, seconded by Cllr Thorn and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to confirm, as a true record, the Confidential Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Monday 22nd October 2018 and were signed by the Chair.

The Meeting Closed at: 19:07