



Newmarket

TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Leisure Services Committee
held on Monday, 14th January 2008 at 7.15 pm at the Memorial Hall, Newmarket

Attendance :

Councillor M Jefferys, Chairman
Councillor D Hudson, Vice Chairman
Councillor Mrs C Brighty.
Councillor K Bovill
Councillor G Cole
Councillor W Hirst
Councillor P Hulbert
Councillor R Millar
Councillor J Richer
Councillor W Sadler
Councillor Mrs J Uney
Councillor W Burch, Town Mayor
Councillor C Turner, Deputy Town Mayor

Also Present: Isabelle Barrett – Town Clerk, Rosemary Foreman – Minute Assistant

| Minute | Action by |
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| L/08/01/1 <u>APOLOGIES</u> There were no apologies. | |
| L/08/01/2 <u>DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS & CONSIDER UPDATE OF REGISTER OF INTEREST</u> None noted. | |
| L/08/01/3 <u>TO CONFIRM THE MEETING HELD ON 12th NOVEMBER 2007</u> Councillor Jefferys signed the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 12 th November 2007, as a correct record. | |
| L/08/01/4 <u>MATTERS ARISING</u> There were no matters arising. | |
| L/08/01/5 <u>AN INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PUT QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS OF NOT MORE THAN 3 MINUTES DURATION RELATING TO ITEMS LISTED IN THE PUBLIC PART OF THE AGENDA ONLY</u> No members of the public were present. | |
| L/08/01/6 <u>TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE REVISED PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED SEVERALS SPORTING FACILITIES</u> Councillor Jefferys reported that the question of funding any overspending was being pursued with the sponsors. | |

Town Clerk advised that a quote for insuring the Pavilion up to £350,000 had been received in the sum of £787 – Town Clerk to check that a sum sufficient to cover this had been included in the budget. She would also arrange a meeting with FHDC Officer Ian Jackson following his meeting with sponsors on 18th January.

Town Clerk – e-mail I Jackson on 21.01.08

L/08/01/7 DEBRIEF OF EVENTS HELD OVER CHRISTMAS 07

Town Clerk advised that 80 children had attended the very successful Christmas Party. The Fairies and Elves competition had been well supported.

Town Clerk reported that water had got into some of the Christmas lights and the plastic holdings needed replacing.

L/08/01/7.01 Recommendation

That the Town Clerk investigate the cost of repairing the Christmas lights and report back to the Committee.

Asked EJ to obtain quote on 16.01.08

Councillors Hirst and Brighty declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting.

L/08/01/8 TO RECEIVE THE SMALL BUDGET GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JULY TO 31ST DECEMBER 07

The Town Clerk advised that there were no more funds available in Small Grant budget. The Committee agreed the following recommendation:

L/08/01/8.01 Recommendation

That the three applications received for a Small Budget Grant be carried forward for discussion at the June meeting of the Leisure Services Committee.

Town Clerk – asked LP to write to applicants to advise that their applications will be discussed in July 08.

Councillors Hirst and Brighty returned to the meeting.

L/08/01/9 TO DISCUSS THE SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE MEMORIAL GARDENS

Town Clerk advised that Entertainment and a Bouncy Castle had been booked for the Memorial Gardens for Thursdays 24th and 31st July and 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th August - she will forward a list of each week's activities to Committee members.

Town Clerk – asked EJ to prepare schedule at 16.01.08 meeting.

L/08/01/10 TO RECOMMEND A DATE FOR THE EASTER PARTY

The Committee agreed the following recommendation:

L/08/01/10.01 Recommendation

That the Children's Easter Party be held on Thursday, 27th March 2008.

TC advised EJ of date at 16.01.08 meeting.

L/08/01/11 TOWN KEEPER'S REPORT

The Committee noted that the Town Keeper had carried out all routine duties and maintenance in the Memorial Gardens but had reported that the Gardens were not litter picked daily. Town Clerk advised that she had contacted FHDC Officer Keith Marley and the Gardens would be litter picked each morning with effect from 15th January.

Councillor Burch reported that the toilets outside the Memorial Gardens were out of order but there was no notice advising the Public where alternative toilets could be found. Town Clerk reported that the steps to the toilets were also broken and that she would contact FHDC in the morning.

L/08/01/11.01 Recommendation

That a notice be displayed outside the Memorial Gardens toilets advising the Public where alternative toilets could be found and Town Clerk to contact FHDC Officer Keith Marley regarding the broken steps.

Town Clerk –
done 15.01.08

L/08/01/12 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

None noted.

L/08/01/13 SUCH OTHER BUSINESS WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY TO BE SPECIFIED IN THE MINUTES. [LGA 1972 Section 100 (4) (B) (16)]

None noted.

L/08/01/14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 11th February 2008 at 7.15 pm.

L/08/01/15 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

With the vote being unanimous, it was

L/08/01/15.01 RESOLVED

That, under section 100a(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 and indicated against each item and, in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

