

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2016

Present: Cllr F Partridge, A Biggs, P Curtis, S Jones

Donna James – Town Clerk

Tim Blatchford – Facilities Manager

Tracey Gliddon – Committees Administrator

- R/133/16** **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Cllr L Deely
- R/134/16** **To receive declarations of registered and non-registered disclosable pecuniary interests and non-registerable interests**
None received
- R/135/16** **Dispensations: to consider requests for dispensations**
None received
- R/136/16** **Minutes: to receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on 11th August 2016**
Resolved: that the minutes were deferred to the next meeting
- R/137/16** **Maximum 15 minutes for members of the public present to put questions or make comments concerning the business of the Recreation committee**
The members of the public present commented on the improved condition of the public toilets since BSTC have taken over their daily maintenance in the town area. A member of the public commented on the flowerbeds this summer and also thanked the staff for addition of the roses in the Castle grounds and asked if these could be put in other areas of the grounds. A member of the public also commented favourably on the possible acquisition of a marquee
- R/138/16** **Marquee – to receive an update and feasibility report regarding the possible purchase of a marquee and agree a recommendation for Full Council**
The committee discussed the feasibility report, which had been distributed at the last committee meeting by the Facilities manager. The Facilities Manager took questions from the committee regarding, costings, storage, transportation and erection and dismantling of the marquee by Council staff. Discussion took place.
Recommended: that the Council purchase a Clear Span Marquee, that the Recreation Committee approach the F & GP committee to purchase the marquee with available funds in this financial year, if funds are not available within this financial year, to add this item into the budget for purchase in 2017/18 financial year.
- R/139/16** **Toilets – to receive an update and agree any associated actions and expenditure (if applicable)**
The Clerk and the Facilities Manager reported that the Public toilets were significantly improved since the Town Council had taken over their cleansing. The Facilities Manager advised that he would be follow up with Cornwall Council any outstanding defects. The Clerk confirmed that the Town Council were cleansing the Foyer toilets for Cornwall Council in the interim with a view to entering into a SLA. The committee wished to thank the Facilities Operatives for their hard work in bringing the toilets up to a good standard of cleanliness

R/140/16 **Parkhouse Room 2/3 TV screen – to consider the request from Bude group of Cornwall Wildlife Trust re provision of a larger repositioned TV screen**

The committee discussed the request

Resolved: not to accede to the request for a larger, repositioned screen

R/141/16 **Playgrounds – to receive an update and consider any associated actions and expenditure**

It was reported that areas of the safety surface at the Bencoolen Play area were cracking. The Facilities Manager reported that re-surfacing kits had been sourced and ordered. The chairman reported that a working group of Councillors would meet very soon to discuss the way forward for the Council owned Play areas for 2017/18 budgets

The Chairman closed the meeting 7.38pm

Signed.....Date.....