

**MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY
30th JANUARY 2020**

Voting members present: Cllrs: T Gibbs, P Kelly, P La Broy, L Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge

Officers present: Mr K Cornwell – Town Clerk and RFO (TC)

Mr S Hayes – Facilities Manager (FM)

Mrs T Gliddon – Committee Administrator (CA)

Meeting Start time: 6.00pm

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman the Committee elected Cllr F Partridge to Chair the meeting.

- OS/01/20** **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Cllrs: S Browning, L Deely, P Moores, P Tilzey and N Tucker
- OS/02/20** **To receive registered and non-registered disclosable pecuniary interests and non-
registerable interest-**
None received.
- OS/03/20** **Dispensations: to consider requests for dispensations**
None received
- OS/04/20** **Minutes: To receive, confirm and sign the Minutes of the Operational Services
Committee Meeting held on 12th December 2019**
Resolved: that the minutes were a true and accurate record and signed by the
Chairman.
- OS/05/20** **Public participation – a maximum of 15 minutes for public present to make
comments concerning the business of the committee (maximum of 2 minutes per
person - dependent on numbers present; questions must be directed through the
Chairman)**
None present.
- OS/06/20** **To receive a report from the Facilities Manager**
The FM discussed the weed killing regime undertaken by BSTC for CC and the new
regulations being brought in by CC. Discussion took place with regard to possible
new machinery that could be acquired by BSTC for both CC work and inhouse.
The FM took questions from the committee. The report was noted.
- OS/07/20** **To approve discussions with Cornwall Council in order to expedite the replacement
of railings by Bencoolen Play Park**
The TC and FM reported that negotiations with CC officers had progressed and
potential funding could be available for BSTC to buy and install new railings of their
choice.
**Resolved: to approve the TC to hold discussions with CC to expedite the
replacement of the railings at Bencoolen Play Park.**
- OS/08/20** **To consider the future use of land at Neetside and opposite Parkhouse Centre with
regard to tree planting and impact on availability for future hires**
Discussion took place surrounding the current hire of the land and future plans for
planting trees. The possibility of an interpretation board at the Neetside/Methodist

Church area in recognition of the skirmish that took place here during the Battle Of Stamford Hill was discussed.

Resolved: that the land opposite the Parkhouse Centre no longer be a hireable space. The land to be landscaped by the outdoor team with some tree planting involved in the landscape.

Resolved: that the land at Neetside/Methodist Church area be longer be a hireable space. The area to be planted with trees.

OS/09/20 **To receive an update on a bid to the Woodland Trust and approve areas suitable for tree planting**

The FM and TC updated the Committee that trees are to be available via the Holsworthy Lions and Woodlands Trust. Initial areas chosen for planting were Treefields, Bencoolen Play Park, Neetside/Methodist Church area and land opposite the Parkhouse Centre. During discussion it was requested that the FM check on the condition of the trees at Treefields – namely Willoughby Wood.

OS/10/20 **To agree a 2% annual uplift in Bude in Bloom, Cemetery and Car park permit charges**

Resolved: to agree a 2% annual uplift in Bude in Bloom, Cemetery and Car park permit charges

Meeting closed 6.55pm

Chairman's Signature.....Date.....