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Minutes for The Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting 6:30 pm 1st October 2024

Present in the Chamber: Cllr Charles Champion (Chair), Cllr Terry Williams (Deputy Chair), Cllr Rowena Harbour, Cllr Peter Carter, Cllr Cecilia Hannigan-Davies, Cllr John Andrew, Ex officio Members: Mayor Cllr Heather Weddell and Deputy Mayor Cllr Geraint Baty.

Also present was Tim Stephens Amenities Supervisor and Clair Helen Davis Deputy Town Clerk.

Committee Members:

Cllr Charles Champion (Chair), Cllr Terry Williams (Deputy Chair), Cllr Rowena Harbour, Cllr Peter Carter, Cllr Cecilia Hannigan-Davies, Cllr John Andrew, Ex officio Members: Mayor Cllr Heather Weddell and Deputy Mayor Cllr Geraint Baty.

41/L&A2024 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

42/L&A2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest, **including the nature of the interest** (members are reminded of the provisions of paragraph 11 of the Members Code of Conduct and more particularly paragraph 11.1).

There were no Declaration of Interests.

43/L&A2024 MINUTES

The minutes from the previous meeting 3rd September 2024 were approved with the following amendment, with the understanding that the council will invest in improving the area.

44/L&A2024 MATTERS ARISING

To consider any matters arising not included on the agenda.

44/a) Grass Cutting - Invitation to tender for annual grass cutting commencing 2025 is in progress.

45/L&A2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

The payments and receipts ending 26th September 2024 were reviewed and approved.

46/L&A2024 MONTHLY PARK INSPECTIONS

The August report was discussed, and the Committee raised the issue of the report timescale and as such unable to discuss the September report. The Deputy Town Clerk is to chase with the supplier.

47/L&A2024 INITIAL BUDGET REVIEW FOR 2025/26

It was commented on by the committee, the reasoning behind the Council being responsible for an ancient wall in Holycross Churchyard, taking money from the precept from the residents seems unjust. It was suggested that the church apply for a grant.

It is recommended that the council finds out who exactly owns the land through the Land Registry, also to approach the Church in Wales to explain the situation.

The duty of care under the Health and Safety act was also commented upon with there being a large drop the other side of the wall.

Cllr Andrew stated that all parks should be shown separately, and any zeroed lines should become redundant.

The Memorial should be on the Town Hall Budget not the L& A.

It was recommended that the Van Fuel budget be increased to £1500, as if going electric the council may wish to purchase an electric charger.

48/L&A2024 HOLY CROSS CHURCHYARD

The committee were updated that the application to remove the sycamore trees has been granted along with permission from Waitrose whose car park will be accessed.

ESA have been informed and waiting on a date of commencement.

49/L&A2024 THE LIMES CEMETERY

Regarding the displacement of the retaining wall, the committee has recommended sourcing quotes to rebuild.

50/L&A2024 SOUTHGATE PARK AND TWT PARK

The committee received an update from Cllr Champion, the S106 working group met last week and the play equipment was discussed for Twt Park.

The outcome being that Dragon Play Equipment were the company to which they agreed. This is recommended to go to Full Council. It was noted that there were issues surrounding Dragon Play Equipment, however it is believed to be the installation of the equipment not the equipment itself at fault. Cllr Champion is to check that the quote is still valid.

It was noted by Tim Stephens, Amenities Supervisor that Southpark is overgrown with brambles and is looking very untidy, and to get a mini digger in to restore it to a blank canvass The committee recommends sourcing quotes.

51/L&A2024 VAN LEASE

The committee felt that more information was needed before a lengthier discussion could be held and to prioritise on the agenda.

Deferred to next meeting.

52/L&A2024 ALLOTMENTS

Deferred to next meeting.

53/L&A2024 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

5th November 2024

Minutes produced by

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Deputy Town Clerk

1st October 2024