

FORDINGBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held at 8.48pm on Wednesday
21st March 2018 in the Town Hall

(Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting of the Committee)

Present: Cllr Anstey – chairman
Cllrs Connolly, Fulford, Lewendon, Paton, & Price

In Attendance: Mrs H Richards, Town Clerk
Mrs R Edwards, Assistant Town Clerk
Mrs M. Coatham, Finance Officer
Cllrs Adams & Hale
A representative from the Salisbury Journal

1. To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Perkins.

2. To receive any declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were made.

3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2018 and report on any matters arising

Cllr Lewendon proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Fulford and therefore **RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2018 be signed as a true record. All in favour.

Matters Arising

Minute no. 5

- The Turks works on the ground floor on the Pavilion have been delayed due to illness.

4. To receive any matters raised by members of the public

No matters raised.

5. To report on matters relating to the Recreation Ground

- **To consider the request for the use of the Recreation Ground for the Summer Festival**

A date of 21st July 2018 has been pencilled into the diary and the Fordingbridge Events Committee been asked for a copy of their risk assessment and insurance. Until these documents have been checked, there is no commitment on the part of Fordingbridge Town Council. The committee is not sure of its plans for the festival yet, in particular whether they want the children's play area closed as part of the festival

- **Maintenance of River Bank**

Cllr Perkins met with David Shering and the Environment agency. The island is growing and the change in the water flow is affecting the Council's side of the bank.

Action: Clerk to ask Cllr Perkins for a statement to attach to the minutes.

- **To review hire charges**

Cllr Lewendon proposed and Cllr Paton seconded and it was therefore **RESOLVED:** to accept the proposed increases in the hire charges of the Recreation Ground and to leave the fishing fees as they are. All in favour.

6. To consider the proposals for a replacement skate park

The RFO summarised the Councillors' written feedback following the skatepark companies' presentations. Maverick was the overall favourite.

The RFO informed the Council that the electrics would have to be rerouted rather than put under the skate park.

Cllr Fulford proposed and Cllr Lewendon seconded and it was therefore **RESOLVED:** to recommend Maverick to the Finance and Policy committee to replace the skate park. All in favour.

7. To report on any matters concerning Open Spaces

Nothing to report.

8. To consider the Annual Tree survey report and quotes received

A quote has been received from Gristwood Toms for £3500 for tree work. This would be for all the tree work, both the bigger jobs and smaller ones that the groundsmen have done in the past.

9. To note any items of correspondence

No correspondence to report.

10. To receive a report from the Clerk or any other relevant business.

The Clerk had nothing further to report.

11. To note the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 16th May 2018

The meeting closed at 9.10pm