

FORDINGBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the extraordinary Amenities Committee meeting held on Wednesday 28th April 2021 at 7:00pm

Held remotely using appropriate technology in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crimes Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 ("the 2020 Regulations") which came into force on 4th April 2020.

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

Present: Cllr Moulard – Chairman
Cllrs Anstey, Hale, Paton, Perkins and Wilson

In Attendance: Mr P Goddard, Town Clerk
A representative of the Salisbury Journal

1. To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr White

2. To receive any declarations of interest.

No declarations were made.

3. To receive any matters raised by Members of the Public

No matters were raised.

4. To consider quotes for improving the Recreation Ground car park surface

The Clerk advised that three quotes had been received for improving the surface at the car park in the Recreation Ground: K&B Builders had quoted £3,542 plus VAT to fill the potholes with 40 ton of type one scalpings and to roll the surface; Earlcote had quoted £4,998 plus VAT to place 60 ton of type one scalpings to fill the potholes, to grade and then compact the surface and D K Eastment Groundworks had quoted £6,575 plus VAT to place type one scalpings, to grade and compact the surface. Tim Richards, the Council's Buildings Manager had recommended the proposal from Earlcote as their proposal would be more durable than the proposal from K&B Builders, which he felt would be eroded by traffic. Cllr Paton proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Hale and therefore RESOLVED: that the Council accept and proceed with the quote from Earlcote. All in favour

5. To consider quotes for moving the fencing to separate the play area from the river at the Recreation Ground

Cllr Paton felt moving the fence was an unnecessary expense and it was a good thing that dogs did not have access to the river at the section by the play area. Cllr Anstey said that the issue was accessibility of the river from the play area that had been identified by ROSPA as a medium risk. Cllrs Wilson, Hale and Moulard all expressed the view that the fencing should not be moved. Cllr Paton proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Hale and therefore RESOLVED: not to move the fence from its existing location. Four in favour and one against. Cllr Anstey accepted the decision made by the committee but noted that it was in the context of a medium risk that could be addressed.

Cllr Paton raised the issue of the life buoys and Cllr Anstey advised that he had inspected them weekly for the past five years. Cllr Paton advised that this inspection should be recorded. [Cllr Perkins joined the meeting]

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

Cllr Paton advised that the twinning association has sponsored a commercial bin in the Congo and wanted to put a sticker to note this on one of the Council's bins.

Cllr Wilson advised that a litter pick was taking place and the local scout group had volunteered to litter pick at the Recreation Ground once the ground staff had cleared any dangerous waste such as broken glass.

Cllr Paton noted that there was broken glass that needed clearing in the older shelter at the Recreation Ground.

7. To note the date of the next meeting as 19th May 2021

The meeting closed at 7:16 pm