

## FORDINGBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2013 at 8.15 p.m. in the Town Hall

#### **PRESENT**

Cllr Paton - Chairman  
Cllrs. Anstey, Connolly, Perkins, Price & Lewendon

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms K Mason, Town Clerk  
Cllrs (A) Wilson & Robbins  
1 member of the public

#### **1. To receive apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence

#### **2. To receive any declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of Interest

#### **3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013 and discuss any matters arising not on the agenda**

It was proposed by Cllr Price and seconded by Cllr Anstey that the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013 be signed as a true record. All in favour, Carried.

There were no matters rising.

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

No matters were raised.

#### **5. To discuss the ice cream concession for 2013 at the Recreation Ground**

The Clerk confirmed that only one company, Jimmy's Whips, who had run the concession last year expressed any interest to date.

It was AGREED that the concession should be offered to Jim's Super Whips, subject to the price which should not be less than £700 for the season.

#### **6. To discuss the plans for the new Sports Facility at the Recreation Ground.**

The current plans have moved the lift, made a larger bar and social area upstairs and a larger balcony overlooking the river on the west side.

Cllr Anstey explained that there was not a meeting room on the current plans. The architect Michael Weakly had stated that the utilisation of the floor space on the first floor was not such a consideration for funding bodies as they would be looking at the sports facilities. Hiring out for other activities could undermine those applications.

Cllr Connolly explained that the former Youth area had remained but now was a multi-use area making it more flexible for other organisations to use. The rest of the building can be locked off from this area.

Members had no suggestions for changes to be made so AGREED to submit the plans to full Council on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April for comments. Subject to that, they will then be placed in the Information Office and Town Hall for the public to view and if possible the Library. This will be publicised via the website, press release and by posters.

Chairman

**7. To determine cost of Recreation hire for one- off events.**

Moto Guzzi - Following discussion it was AGREED to charge the Moto Guzzi Rally in August £700 to use the Recreation Ground.

Fordingbridge Festival – It was AGREED that no charge will be levied for the Fordingbridge Festival as this was an opportunity for local organisations to take part.

Whippet Meet – Following discussion it was AGREED not to charge for track use while the Whippet Meet took place in June.

**8. To note any items of correspondence**

Clearwater Technology – had visited the Recreation Ground and had quoted £650 to do a legionnaire check of the Pavilion, Workshop Bungalow and Sports Club. The Clerk advised that the pipework in the Pavilion to the showers had been shortened at the advice of the plumber because of the regulations for prevention of legionnaire's disease. The report was noted by members.

It's Your Choice - will be bringing their mobile outreach vehicle to the Recreation Ground by the Skatepark on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April.

Rugby – an U16 touring side from Wales will be playing the home team on 29<sup>th</sup> March at Brownsey's Field.

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

Lifebuoys – Cllr Anstey reported that a lifebuoy had gone missing from the Recreation Ground outside the play park area, located on the river embankment. Cllr Anstey advised that there were sufficient lifebuoys at the Recreation Ground and it didn't need to be replaced. However, the remaining ones would need to be re-positioned. The Clerk to arrange that the ROSPA inspection includes the lifebuoys.

**10. To note the date of the next meeting as 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013**

The meeting ended at 8.50 pm.