

**FORDINGBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held at 8.25pm on Wednesday**  
**18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in the Town Hall**

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

**Present:**

Cllr Anstey – Chairman  
Cllrs Fulford, Paton & Perkins

**In Attendance:**

Mrs H Richards, Town Clerk  
Cllr Adams

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

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Connolly, Lewendon & Price

**2. To receive any declarations of interest**

No declarations made.

**3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and report on any matters arising**

Cllr Perkins proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Paton and therefore **RESOLVED**: that the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 be signed as a true record.

**Matters Arising**

Minute no. 5 – Car Parking on track – chair advised that this matter had been raised at the Sports Club meeting and clubs advised that this practice should cease.

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

No matters raised.

**5. To report on matters relating to the Recreation Ground**

- Play Equipment – The Chair advised that he had met with the Clerk and a representative from Sovereign Play Equipment and a quote was awaited for the replacement of the playhouse.
- Paddling Pool – the Clerk advised that a further 2 quotes had been sought for the remedial drainage works to the pool – only 1 further quote had been received in the sum of £1712.38.

Cllr Fulford proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Perkins and therefore **RESOLVED**: to accept the quote in the sum of **£875.00** from Datum Drainage to carry out remedial drainage works to the paddling pool. All in favour

- **Facilities & Pitch Maintenance** – the Chair reported on a meeting held with the Turks Football Club regarding changing facilities and the recent ground grading report received from the Hampshire FA. Clerk to establish position regarding Town Council Insurance if sports clubs carry out works to premises. A report and quote are awaited from LanServices regarding refurbishment of the Pavilion.

Clerk to investigate when the next verti-drainage works are due to be undertaken and liaise with Ringwood Town Council.

The Clerk reported that following receipt (that day) of the Legionella Risk Assessment report for the Pavilion, there is a priority requirement for the Clerk and Groundsman to undertake Legionella Awareness Training and for maintenance and monitoring procedures to be put in place. Town Clerk to obtain details of training.

- Fishing at the Recreation Ground - The Clerk advised members of a proposal received from Nigel Davis for maintenance to the river bank & fishing swims at the recreation ground; bailiffing and the sale of fishing day tickets. Works would be carried out by Nigel and members of the Ringwood & District Angling Association for which Risk Assessment and Insurance confirmation has been provided. The proposal also contained details of suggested signage to be placed along the riverbank.

Cllr Fulford proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Perkins and therefore **RESOLVED**: that the proposal for completion of works to the River Bank and bailiffing of the fishing rights on behalf of the Town Council be accepted.

Town Clerk to obtain quotes for appropriate signage.

Members discussed the commission rate for the sale of the fishing tickets at the Riverside Kiosk. Cllr Paton proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Fulford and therefore **RESOLVED**: that the tenant, Nigel Davis, is paid 50% commission for the sale of fishing day tickets at the Riverside Kiosk.

The Chair reported that following the use of a drone to film in the recreation ground by the Rugby Club, he had spoken with the Rugby Club and advised that this is not permissible in the Recreation Ground. As there is not currently a Town Council policy prohibiting the flying of drones, the Town Clerk will prepare a draft policy for the Amenities committee meeting in March.

## **6. To report on any matters concerning Open Spaces**

No matters to report.

## **7. To report on any Tree Works**

No tree works.

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

The Clerk reported that the following items had been received:

- Rugby Club – requesting confirmation of insurance cover for the Sports Club Building (confirmed covered by Town Council)
- Nigel Davis – informing of Environmental Health inspection recently carried out at the Riverside Kiosk and that he had retained his 5\*.

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

The clerk had nothing further to report. The condition of the Car Park at the Recreation Ground was raised and concern that the works carried out by Earlcote in the autumn had not resolved the flooding issues – Clerk to investigate.

**10. To note the date of the next meeting as 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.