

LYTCHETT MINSTER & UPTON TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the **AMENITIES** Committee was held in the Council Chamber, 1 Moorland Parade, Moorland Way on **Tuesday the 6 FEBRUARY 2018** which commenced at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs M Pryor (in the Chair)
Councillor M Chase
Councillor F H Drane
Councillor Mrs R J Wood
Councillor R Holloway
Councillor Mrs M Turner
Councillor Mrs J M Richards (Mayor)

Also in attendance: Mrs B Lake, Office Manager

259/17 APOLOGIES: Councillor J C Small (unwell)
Councillor K Brooks (work commitments)
Mrs K Wright, Town Clerk (unwell)

260/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
None.

261/17 CLERKS REPORT:

- a. **Minute 306/17 Potential improvements for the Recreation Ground.** See Minute 262/17.
- b. **Minute 311/17 Memorial for Charles Hancox.** Cllr Mrs Richards reported that she has spoken to the Turbary Trustees who suggested that the Community Centre be called the 'Charles Hancox Community Centre'.
- c. **Minute 311/17 Increased use of alcohol in the centre of Upton.** No further information.

262/17 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. A copy of The Journal was received from ICCM and passed to Cllr Mrs Pryor.

263/17 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE PAVILION MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS:

Cllr Chase gave an update on the funding application situation which is being held up because of the renewal of the Recreation Ground lease with the Turbary Trust.

Cllr Mrs Richards and Cllr Chase met with a representative from Seascope who had provided draft drawings for the frontage. Detailed plans are awaited.

The kitchen was completed in time for the launch of the Age Concern Day Club on Monday 15 January. Because of the amount of storage required consideration is being given to providing a container.

The CCTV has been upgraded and Cllrs Mrs Richards and Chase attending training. It will eventually be linked to the Police at Wareham.

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264/17 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON A MEETING WITH LYTCHETT AND UPTON RED TRIANGLE FC:

Some members of the Amenities committee met with the Chairman of Lytchett and Upton Red Triangle Football Club who would like to move their home ground to Upton Recreation Ground. They have 27 teams ranging from 5 years to adults, and would also require use of the Grove and storage space. This was agreed in principle, however terms and conditions need further discussion, including finances.

A request was also received from Lytchett and Upton Red Triangle for the use of the Recreation Ground and the Grove for a football tournament on the weekend of 9/10 June 2018. This was agreed in principle, however more details will be sought, ie will this involve vehicles selling food, etc.

Concern was expressed that groups of footballers are turning up to practice on the ground whilst official matches are taking place.

265/17 TO DISCUSS THE UPTON URBAN PARK BIKE PROJECT:

New drawings were received as to how this project could look and it was suggested that funding may be available from Sports England. Members felt that the project was a good idea in principle but the acquisition of the land from ARC will be pursued before any decision can be made. It was suggested a demonstration of the types of activity that could be made available could possibly take place on Carnival day.

266/17 TO DISCUSS CEMETERY ISSUES:

There is no further information regarding the issue that the Council were assisting a funeral director with. Cllr Chase and the Groundstaff investigated suitable planting to mark out the unconsecrated area of the Cemetery. A discussion took place whether or not this area should be marked with hedging or similar, and it will be ascertained what other authorities do.

267/17 TO CONSIDER QUOTATIONS FOR WORK AT THE GROVE:

Quotations for £470 and £950 were received for work at the Grove and it was proposed, seconded and

RECOMMENDED that these be accepted.

268/17 TO DISCUSS THE CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE AND PARADE:

At a recent meeting of the Christmas committee it was agreed that in 2018 the Parade will finish at the Community Centre where the carol service will be held. It was reported that the date of Thursday 6 December has been booked. As there will possibly be no children's party this year, it was suggested that presents can be given out by Santa on the night. The clocktower area will still be decorated and the community organisation have secured funding for a Christmas tree. A date for another meeting will be arranged when it will be decided whether the Citrus Singers and handbell ringers should be booked.

269/17 TO RECEIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL UPDATE:

The committee financial update was received, reviewed and agreed.

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270/17 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM AMENITIES CHAMPIONS:

- a) **Allotments**
Cllr Mrs M Pryor
None.

- b) **Recreation Ground**
Tree works are in hand and the overgrowth in the far corner cut back.

- c) **Cemetery**
Cllr Mrs M Pryor
None.

- d) **Redwood Road Play Area**
The train requires attention.

- e) **Warbler Park Play Area.**
Some repairs at the skatepark are required.

- f) **Pavilion Champion.**
Cllr M Chase
None.

271/17 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- a) Cllr Mrs Wood advised that the Head of the Junior School is enquiring about the use of the Recreation Ground by Yarrells School and this will be clarified.
- b) Concern was expressed about the ongoing condition of the Town Council/Community notice board in Poole Road and this will be pursued with the supplier.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....