

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 MARCH 2018** which commenced at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs M Pryor (in the Chair)
Councillor M Chase
Councillor J C Small
Councillor P F Johns
Councillor F H Drane
Councillor Mrs R J Wood
Councillor R Holloway
Councillor K Brooks
Councillor Mrs J Marston
Councillor Mrs M Turner
Councillor Mrs J M Richards (Mayor)

Also in attendance: Mrs K Wright, Town Clerk
Mrs B Lake, Office Manager

310/17 APOLOGIES: None.

311/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
None.

312/17 CLERKS REPORT:

- a. **Minute 306/17 Potential improvements for the Recreation Ground.** See Minute 347/17.
- b. **Minute 311/17 Memorial for Charles Hancox.** The Clerk will ascertain whether the Turbary Trustees have contacted the Chairman of the Community Centre about this suggestion.
- c. **Minute 311/17 Increased use of alcohol in the centre of Upton.** This item will be removed from the minutes.
- d. **Minute 264/17 Update on meeting with Lytchett and Upton Red Triangle FC.** Further discussions are required and a formal contract/arrangement needs to be in place. Cllr Chase undertook to liaise with the football club.
- e. **Upton Urban Park Bike Project.** Cllr Holloway thanked Cllr Mrs Richards and Chase for ascertaining that this project would be covered under the Town Council's public liability insurance. The Clerk will provide Cllr Holloway with details of the landowners in order that he could contact them.

313/17 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

314/17 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE PAVILION MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS:
Detailed plans for the frontage are still awaited. Any further work will be left in abeyance until such time as the new lease has been drawn up.
It was reported that the Age Concern Day Club are very happy with the facilities at the Grove.

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315/17 TO REVIEW FEES AND CHARGES:

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** that all fees should increase by 5% with the exception of the use of the Grove by Age Concern which will remain at the current price until April 2019.

316/17 TO DISCUSS THE NEED FOR INCREASED STORAGE AT THE RECREATION GROUND:

Additional storage is required for the chairs, goalposts etc. After discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** to agree in principle to providing two containers for this purpose and costings will be obtained. This will be discussed again at the next Amenities committee meeting.

317/17 TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE CLOSURE OF LYTCHETT MINSTER RUGBY CLUB DUE TO RENTAL INCREASE:

This item will be left in abeyance until more information is available.

318/17 TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SIGNS FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AT COST OF £612.22:

It was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** to proceed with the purchase of road signs for the Remembrance Day Parade.

319/17 TO DISCUSS CEMETERY ISSUES:

The Gravedigger raised concerns about the water at the Cemetery following the drainage works. This was checked and the water appears to be flowing satisfactorily.

It was suggested that a wildflower meadow be planted at the Cemetery the same time as the planting at Lytchett Bay View.

The ongoing situation whereby the Council are assisting a funeral director with an interment is in the process of being resolved.

There is an amount of soil that needs removing from the Cemetery.

It was suggested that bollards should be installed at the end of Cemetery Road to prevent lorries from damaging the grass and this will be referred to the Highways meeting.

A Cemetery inspection will take place at 6 pm on Tuesday 1 May 2018.

320/17 TO APPROVE THE USE OF THE RECREATION GROUND FOR A MINI FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT ON 9/10 JUNE 2018 TO BE HOSTED BY LYTCHETT RED TRIANGLE:

Further information regarding their requirements was received from Lytchett Red Triangle FC. A sub-committee comprising of Cllrs Chase, Holloway, Brooks, Mrs Pryor, the weekend Caretaker, and Mr McManus will be formed with a date for the first meeting to be agreed.

321/17 TO RECEIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL UPDATE:

The committee financial update was received, reviewed and agreed.

322/17 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM AMENITIES CHAMPIONS:

a) Allotments

Cllr Mrs M Pryor

None.

b) Recreation Ground

Concern was expressed about footballers on the Recreation Ground who are not playing as part of a team and notices will be displayed.

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322/17 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM AMENITIES CHAMPIONS:(Cont)

- 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.

323/17 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- a) Cllr Mrs Richards reported that Upton in Bloom had contacted South & South East in Bloom because of lower marks in 2017. The Chairman of South & South East in Bloom will undertake the judging in 2018.
- b) It was suggested that a notice board be sited at the new development in Policemans Lane. Wyatts will be approached to ask if they will supply one.
- c) Cllr Mrs Marston volunteered to check the defibrillator at Lytchett Minster on a regular basis.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....