

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 5 June 2018** which commenced at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs M Pryor (in the Chair)
Councillor M Chase
Councillor J C Small
Councillor Mrs R J Wood
Cllr R Holloway
Councillor Mrs M Turner
Councillor Mrs J M Richards (Mayor)

Also in attendance: Mrs B Lake, Office Manager
Mrs S Samways, Admin Asst
Councillor P King

41/18 APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs J Marston (holiday)
Councillor K Brooks (work commitments)
Councillor F H Drane (personal)
Mrs K Wright, Town Clerk (holiday)

42/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

43/18 CLERKS REPORT:

- a. **Minute 311/17 Memorial for Charles Hancox.** Cllr Mrs Richards advised the Turbary Trust had no objection to the re-naming of the Community Centre Hall, but they will contact LUBCA regarding this.
- b. **Minute 264/17 Update on meeting with Lytchett and Upton Red Triangle FC.** See Minute 41/18
- c. **Upton Urban Park Bike Project.** See Minute 39/18
- d. **Minute 407/17 Protection of Grave Plots at Cemetery.** The roll of protective ground mesh will be stored until required.

44/18 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The ICCM Journal was made available to the committee.
2. A letter was received from a resident of Sea View Road regarding Anti Social Behaviour on the Recreation Ground and suggested lifting the dog ban; the office to respond advising the ban will remain as it is used by the local schools.

45/18 TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIR OF AMENITIES:

Cllr Chase was proposed, seconded and unanimously elected as Vice-Chair of the Amenities Committee.

46/18 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE PAVILION MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS:

- a) The car park has been successfully resurfaced; with very positive feedback from users.
The addition of slopes at each end provides improved access.
The white lines have not been painted on an angle on advice from the contractors; the current lay out provides more parking spaces, provides easier exit from spaces and avoids the need for a turning area.

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**46/18 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE PAVILION MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS:
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The speed humps have not yet been reinstated. This item to be included as an Agenda item at Town Council on 19th June.

The contractors constructed the car park as per DCC specifications, so any issues with flooding and drainage should be eliminated.

- b) The door not required at the rear of Changing Room 1 has been bricked up and new exterior doors have been fitted to Changing Rooms 1 and 3.
- c) From CCTV footage it is evident the gate painted with anti-climb paint is proving very effective at preventing unwanted access.

47/18 TO CONSIDER WAIVING OR REDUCING THE RENT FOR THE USE OF THE GROVE BY THE AGE CONCERN DAY CENTRE LUNCH CLUB:

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** unanimously not to waive or reduce the charge to Lunch Club; this Club makes full use of all the facilities and incurs additional LMUTC staff costs. It was agreed that all users must pay the fee set by LMUTC without exception. The Day Centre Lunch Club will be reminded of the annual Grant Aid Funding available upon application to the Town Council.

48/18 TO APPROVE THE UPDATED BOOKNG AGREEMENT FOR THE GROVE:

Members advised a number of amendments; the office to provide a revised version for approval.

49/18 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE BIKE TRACK PROJECT:

Cllr Holloway reported on a successful meeting with both the proposers of the track and a representative from ARC. Due to the Charitable status of ARC they are unable to donate the land. Part of the contract would involve a nature offset (eg pond at Lytchett Bay View, Upton Woods) which will be negotiated at the next meeting on 28th June. Initial feedback from residents is very supportive of this project, with offers to help and fund raise received. The proposer of the project will perform two 30 minute ‘Pump Track’ demonstrations at the recreation ground on Saturday 11th August at 11am and 12:30pm to raise awareness of the proposed facility. Cllr Holloway also advised he has contacted Sport England regarding funding; they are supportive of the project but can only consider a formal application once the land negotiation is complete. The Committee expressed their support for Cllr Holloway and this project.

50/18 TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO 10.1 IN THE CEMETERY REGULATIONS – CARE OF GRAVES AND MEMORIALS:

It was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** that this be amended to add ‘If the grave owner is deceased the Council will take steps to make the memorial safe in compliance with ICCM recommendations.

51/18 TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A MEMORIAL BENCH AT UPTON CEMETERY:

The Committee agreed in principal to the installation of an additional memorial bench at Upton Cemetery; subject to a site visit to agree a mutually acceptable location.

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52/18 TO DISCUSS A LOCAL FOOTBALL CLUB’S REQUEST TO MAKE UPTON RECREATION GROUND THEIR HOME GROUND:

Cllr Mrs Pryor and Cllr Chase reported on their recent meeting with Upton FC (formerly Lytchett & Upton Red Triangle FC); this Club will retain the historical status of L&URTFC. The renamed club have requested a written agreement (in principal) to Upton FC being based at Upton Recreation Ground from LMUTC.

53/18 CONSIDER SETTING UP A CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE:

It was agreed that the Christmas committee should continue in its current format.

54/18 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM AMENITIES COMMITTEE:

- a) **Allotments**
Cllr Mrs Pryor advised there is nothing to report as there was no meeting with members of the Allotments committee.
- b) **Recreation Ground**
Cllr Chase formally acknowledged the research made by Cllr Brooks regarding obtaining quotes for the provision of storage containers.
Cllr Mrs Wood volunteered to deliver letters to residents neighbouring the Recreation ground regarding the proposed amendments to the floodlight timings.
- c) **Cemetery**
Cllr Mrs M Pryor
None.
- d) **Redwood Road Play Area**
None.
- e) **Warbler Park Play Area.**
None.
- f) **Pavilion Champion.**
Cllr M Chase
See Minute 37/18.

55/18 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- a) The Mayor is willing to present the trophies at the football tournament due to take place the weekend of 9/10 June and Cllr Chase will suggest this to the football club.
- b) Similar to existing ‘Mayor’s Bears’ Cllr Mrs Richards proposed the introduction of a fund raising ‘Lyt-Up Lamb’. Volunteers would knit toy lambs to be exchanged for a donation to the Mayor’s Charity. Cllr Mrs Richards will approach the Loose Ladies regarding production.
- c) An item ‘To discuss planting at the Cemetery’ will be included on the agenda of the next Amenities committee.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm

Chairman.....

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