

Minutes of the **Recreation and Amenities Committee** held at Quedgeley Community Centre on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30pm

**PRESENT** Cllr S Smith (Chair), Cllr G Smith, Cllr Mrs T Arnold, Cllr Mrs M Slatter, Cllr Ms T Williams  
Cllr Mrs McAllan and Cllr Lee

**OFFICER PRESENT** Debbie Hughes

R.058/17-18	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> Apologies were noted from Cllr Arnold</p>
R.059/17-18	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> None received</p>
R.060/17-18	<p><b>To Adopt the following Minutes of the Previous Meeting dated:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017 Cllr Mrs T Arnold <b>PROPOSED</b> to adopt the above minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Seconded Cllr Ms T Williams                      Vote    Unanimous    <b>So resolved</b></p>
R.061/17-18	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Email – local resident –canal side path The Committee requested the office forward request to Gloucester City Council as the land owners.</li> <li>(b) Helping Hand Environmental – brochure This item was noted.</li> <li>(c) ICCM – Journal Cllr S Smith volunteered to read and report at the next meeting.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action – Cllr S Smith</b></p>
R.062/17-18	<p><b>Community Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Dog Show – To consider date in June for 2018 It was unanimously agreed to hold the event on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Fishers Meadow and Cllr Mrs J McAllan will take the leading role.</li> <li>(b) Firework Display – Report on progress Cllr S Smith advised he will not be able to attend the firework display during the evening due to a family commitment. Cllr Mrs M Slatter also advised she was unable to attend in the evening.</li> </ul>
R.063/17-18	<p><b>Playground Safety Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Druids Oak, Woolstrop Play Area and Bristol Road Recreation Ground – to consider any necessary action arising from the reports.</li> </ul> <p>Druids oak: 7.8.17 : Bristol Road Rec: 1.8.17 : 14.8.17 : 21.8.17 : 29.8.17 : Woolstrop Play Area: 15.8.17 : 22.8.17 : 31.8.17 :</p> <p>The above safety reports were noted.</p> <p><b><u>Bristol Road Rec</u></b> Mrs Hughes informed the committee that travellers forced entry onto Bristol Road Recreation Ground. The Clerk instructed bailiffs to evict them, following a welfare visit the office was informed that the travellers have a 2-week-old baby who is unwell and unfortunately this would prolong the eviction until Friday.</p> <p>Following discussion, it was agreed in principal to purchase a lift assist post with a recommendation to full council for approval.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action Town Office</b></p>
R.064/17-18	<p><b>Quedgeley Nature Reserve</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Safety Report The safety report carried out by Cllr G Smith was noted.</li> <li>(b) Report on progress Mrs Hughes reported Glosvale Conservation Association carried out the following</li> </ul>

	<p>work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chippings on pathway</li> <li>• Cleared nettles/brambles at the entrance</li> <li>• Removed reeds from pond along with bricks, concrete slabs</li> </ul> <p>The committee asked the office to thank them for their hard work.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action Town Office</b></p>
<p><b>R.065/17-18</b></p>	<p><b>Budget 2017-18</b> The budget sheet provided by the office was noted and signed by the chairman</p>
<p><b>R.066/17-18</b></p>	<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>(a) Report on progress Cllr G Smith advised that the Allotment Association arranged a BBQ for all allotment holders which was very successful. The grass to the boundary has now been cut</p> <p>Cllr S Smith reported Building Circles represents approximately 20 disadvantage adults and are currently the tenants for two raised beds. They have been tending a spare raised bed for the past year due to a resident being too unwell to visit the site.</p> <p>The Tenancy Agreements are due to be renewed in October and Building Circles have requested the third bed be allocated to them on a permanent basis. Cllr G Smith declared an interest and took no further part in the discussion. Cllr S Smith <b>PROPOSED</b> Building Circles be allocated the third bed on a permanent basis, Seconded Cllr Lee                      Vote 6 for                      1 abstain</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(b) To Agree Revised Tenancy Agreement The committee unanimously agreed the revised tenancy agreement as circulated. <b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(c) To Agree Expenditure no exceeding £420.00 for hedging around boundary to mitigate problems from proposed play park adjacent to site. Cllr Mrs M Slatter <b>PROPOSED</b> the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J McAllan                      Vote Unanimous</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p>
<p><b>R.067/17-18</b></p>	<p><b>Quedgeley Cemetery</b></p> <p>(a) Infants memorial, Right to Erect Following an in-depth discussion Cllr Lee <b>PROPOSED</b> a 50% reduction to erect a memorial headstone for children from 3 months to 16 years of age. Seconded Cllr Mrs Slatter                      Vote Unanimous</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(b) To consider size of Cremation Memorial Stone The committee unanimously agreed a maximum size of 15 inches x 18 inches. Vote unanimous</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(c) To consider and agree the cost of two Interment Caskets for cremated remains simultaneously Cllr S Smith <b>PROPOSED</b> not to increase the cost. Seconded Cllr G Smith                      Vote Unanimous</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(d) Update rules and regulations Mrs Hughes provided the updated rules and regulations for councillors to peruse. Following discussion, the committee unanimously agreed to accept the updated version.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p> <p>(e) To agree bench location</p>

	<p>Mrs Hughes advised a resident enquired if she could supply and install bench near her husband's grave at no cost to the Council. The committee had no objections.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>So resolved</b> <b>Action Town Office</b></p>
<b>R.068/17-18</b>	<p><b>Business for Referral</b></p> <p>The committee requested the following item be included on the next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Toilet hire for dog show</li></ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action Town Office</b></p>

**Date of Next Meeting** 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Noted

Meeting closed 8.20pm