

Minutes of the **Recreation and Amenities Committee** held on Teams on Wednesday 7th October 2020 at 7.00pm

PRESENT Cllr S Smith, Cllr Mrs M Slatter, Cllr G Smith, Cllr Thompson, Cllr Mrs McAllan, Cllr Miss J Weston and Cllr Mrs J Williams

OFFICER PRESENT Mrs J Webster, Town Clerk & RFO

R.032/20-21	Apologies for Absence Cllr Miss A Mozol
R.033/20-21	Declarations of Interest None
R.034/20-21	To Adopt the following Minutes of the Previous Meeting dated: 2 nd September 2020 Cllr G Smith PROPOSED to accept the above minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Seconded Cllr Thompson Vote 6 for, 1 abstain So resolved
R.035/20-21	Correspondence Request from DanTERS to hold annual fair at Fishers Meadow on QTC Firework Weekend. Cllr G Smith advised that every assurance must be given by DanTERS that current government guidelines for Covid 19 are being adhered to. Cllr S Smith PROPOSED to allow DanTERS to proceed provided all government measures relevant at the time of the event are in place. Seconded: Cllr Miss Weston: Vote: 6 for, 1 abstain: So resolved Action – office ICCM Magazine Autumn 2020 Cllr S Smith updated the committee on the latest news regarding a WW2 Pilot whose plane crashed in Quedgeley during the war. Cllr S Smith PROPOSED that a memorial stone be placed in the QTC memorial garden. Seconded: Cllr Mrs Slatter: Vote unanimous: So resolved
R.036/20-21	Community Events Armistice Day – 11th November Cllr S Smith reported, the Armistice Day ceremony will go ahead at the War Memorial at 10.45am, followed by a memorial service at the memorial garden for those who lost their lives to Covid-19. Cllr S Smith confirmed that prior to the event there would be a review of control measures for the purpose of Social Distancing and safety of those attending. Covid marshalls would be present and markers for wreaths placed in advance. Track and trace system to be present.
R.037/20-21	Playground Safety Reports Druids Oak, Woolstrop Play Area and Bristol Road Recreation Ground – to consider any necessary action arising from the reports. Woolstrop Play Area: None Bristol Road Rec: None Druids Oak: 05.09.20 : 12.09.20 : 17.09.20 The safety surface has been raised on the above reports. Cllr Mrs McAllan raised a further concern regarding the safety matting. Mrs Webster advised that a meeting take place at Druids Oak to enable the committee to fully appreciate the points being raised. Action: Office
R.038/20-21	Bristol Road Rec Safety Barrier – to consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £333.31 to purchase safety barrier. Cllr G Smith PROPOSED expenditure not exceeding £333.31 to purchase safety barrier for swings. Seconded: Cllr Mrs Williams: Vote: unanimous: So resolved Action - Office

R.039/20-21	<p>Quedgeley Nature Reserve</p> <p>(a) In the absence of Cllr Pearce there was no safety report to note. (b) Cllr Mrs McAllan advised of metal grids on the ground.</p> <p>(c) Cllr G Smith PROPOSED expenditure not exceeding £810.00 to reduce 2 trees in height. Seconded: Cllr S Smith: Vote: unanimous: So resolved</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action – Office</p>
R.040/20-21	<p>Allotments</p> <p>Members confirmed receipt of an email in advance of the meeting regarding the transfer of allotments to QTC. Cllr S Smith asked for confirmation that there remains a demand for allotments in Quedgeley. Mrs Webster confirmed that all plots have been allocated in the existing site and there is demand for the new site with a waiting list in place.</p> <p>Cllr G Smith advised that Building Circles are now tending to their raised beds. Cllr G Smith PROPOSED that QTC take on the new allotments and the transfer proceed from QUVL to QTC. Seconded: Cllr Mrs Williams: Vote: unanimous: So resolved</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action – office</p>
R.041/20-21	<p>Quedgeley Cemetery & Quedgeley Memorial Garden</p> <p>(a) Report on progress, members discussed the clearing of flowers and agreed that whilst conducting the monthly cemetery inspection, any dead flowers should be removed and placed into the green bin. M&D will continue with grounds maintenance and if appropriate will also remove dead flowers.</p> <p>(b) Safety Reports: No report to note.</p> <p>Members expressed confusion regarding the rotas and Mrs Webster confirmed this would be reviewed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action Office</p> <p>Cllr Smith reported on the Covid 19 memorial stone and WW2 memorial stone for the memorial garden.</p>
R.042/20-21	<p>Clearwater Bridge & Steps</p> <p>To consider repair Cllr S Smith advised he is still waiting for the outcome from Mark Hawthorne’s investigation.</p> <p>Mrs Webster advised that she has already agreed expenditure of £625.00 to complete urgent works under H&S and is only waiting for authorisation to proceed from the committee. Cllr Smith confirmed he would chase Mark Hawthorne and report back. Members agreed to wait for further information from Mark Hawthorne.</p>
R.043/20-21	<p>Fishers Meadow</p> <p>Report on progress. Cllr Mrs McAllan reported on a fallen tree. Mrs Webster confirmed the office were aware.</p>
R.044/20-21	<p>Fishing Pond</p> <p>Members confirmed receipt of 2 options prior to the meeting for consideration. Cllr Smith requested that other fishing groups be involved, however for the purpose of moving forward, members agreed that fishing groups had already been given an opportunity to be involved with little success. The options for consideration will provide a controlled way forward. Members asked for an extra ordinary meeting to be arranged and for the proposer of the options to be invited to talk further.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action - office</p>
R.045/20-21	<p>Budget 2020-2021</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Williams PROPOSED to agree the current R&A budget. Seconded: Cllr S Smith: Vote: unanimous: So resolved</p>
R.046/20-21	<p>Business for referral</p> <p>None</p>