

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held at Quedgeley Community Centre on Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr S Smith, Cllr Pearce, Cllr G Smith, Cllr Mrs J Williams, Cllr Mrs J McAllan, Cllr Miss A Mozol & Cllr Arnold

Member of Public - Ms. Sarah Ottoway – Kingsway Wildlife & Sustainability Group

OFFICER PRESENT Debbie Hughes

R.049/19-20	<p>Apologies for Absence Cllr Mrs M Slatter</p>
R.050/19-20	<p>Declarations of Interest Cllr S Smith declared an interest in agenda item 4 (c) minute ref R.053/19-20</p>
R.051/19-20	<p>To Adopt the following Minutes of the Previous Meeting dated: 3rd July 2019</p> <p>Cllr Miss Mozol advised she had reported her apologies</p> <p>Cllr S Smith PROPOSED to accept the above minutes as a true and accurate record. Seconded Cllr G Smith Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.052/19-20	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>(a) Voluntary work offer – the committee asked if the resident would consider addressing the overgrown area at the entrance to the Local Nature Reserve, in particular the nettles.</p> <p>(b) E-mail - Bench for Quedgeley Cemetery – the committee had no objection for the local resident to supply a bench.</p> <p>(c) Resident request for the provision of a secure area reserved for dogs to be allowed off the lead safely. Members agreed this should be discussed further at the Futures Committee.</p> <p>(d) Nemisis Fireworks Items c & d were noted.</p>
R.053/19-20	<p>Community Events</p> <p>Dog Show – 23rd June 2019</p> <p>(a) To consider and agree change of time The committee agreed the amended time.</p> <p>(b) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £444.00 to purchase 4 banners Cllr Mrs J McAllan PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote 6 For Against 1 So resolved</p> <p>(c) To consider and agree donations raised at the dog show, totalling £31.00, to be awarded to Bulldog Rescue Cllr Mrs J McAllan PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr G Smith Vote unanimous So resolved</p> <p>(d) To clarify donations for future events Cllr G Smith reminded members suggestions are to be e-mailed to the Clerk.</p> <p>Firework Display – 9th November 2019</p> <p>(a) To consider latest position Nothing to report at this stage</p> <p>(b) To consider & agree additional expenditure not exceeding £282.00 to improve display Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p>

R.054/19-20	<p>Future Events Cllr S Smith advised he has been discussing options with Danters' Fun Fair to provide an event for youths, possibly something under canvass however, it's providing difficult and the idea has not progressed far.</p> <p>In the absence of Cllr Miss Weston, Cllr Pearce reported she is exploring the possibilities of another event to be incorporated into the Council's event calendar and what format this may take.</p>
R.055/19-20	<p>Grounds Maintenance</p> <p>(a) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £120.00 to cut hedge to front of Kingsway Sports Pavilion Cllr Pearce PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J McAllan Vote unanimous So resolved</p> <p>(b) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £225.00 to cut back the following; conifers, berberis, ivy & shrubs located at Quedgeley Community Centre. Cllr S Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p> <p>(c) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £235.00 to clear and strim banks of brook @ Bristol Road Recreation Ground Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.056/19-20	<p>Playground Safety Reports</p> <p>(a) Druids Oak, Woolstrop Play Area and Bristol Road Recreation Ground - to consider any necessary action arising from the reports</p> <p>Druids Oak: 08.07.19 : 15.07.19 : Woolstrop Play Area: 02.07.19 : 10.07.19 : 16.07.19 : 24.07.19 : 30.07.19 Bristol Road Rec: 01.07.19 : 09.07.19 : 22.07.19 : : The above safety reports were noted.</p>
R.057/19-20	<p>To consider and agree expenditure, not exceeding £58.50, to provide a sponsored plaque for the litter bin recently provided by Prima Dental Cllr S Smith PROPOSED expenditure not exceeding £27.50 + VAT to purchase plaque. Seconded Cllr Pearce Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.058/19-20	<p>Druids Oak Brook – clear & strim banks To consider & agree expenditure not exceeding £195.00 Cllr Mrs J McAllan PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.059/19-20	<p>St James' Corner Beds x 2 – to cut back To consider & agree expenditure not exceeding £230.00 Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.060/19-20	<p>Bristol Road Rec</p> <p>(a) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £65.00 to repair iron gate following ROSPA's annual inspection. Cllr Mrs J Williams PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Arnold Vote unanimous So resolved</p> <p>(b) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £122.00 to prepare and paint goal posts following ROSPA's annual inspection. Cllr Pearce PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J Williams Vote unanimous So resolved</p>

R.061/19-20	<p>Woolstrop Play Area To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £184.00 to address wooden surround to the play tunnel following recent vandalism. Cllr Mrs J Williams PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Arnold Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.062/19-20	<p>Quedgeley Nature Reserve (a) Safety Report – Cllr Arnold reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top pond has dried out • Bottom pond, the plants should be thinned and one side of the fence along the bank is damaged on top. • The sign at the entrance from the car park is damaged, Council office to investigate and repair. • Nettles have overgrown both entrances from Curtis Hayward Drive. Cllr Pearce suggested this may be a task for the gentlemen who is seeking voluntary work. The office to make contact. (b) Report on progress Cllr G Smith advised more chippings have been delivered in the parking bays. Mrs Hughes advised the office is unaware of any instruction for this and was unaware it had occurred.</p>
R.063/19-20	<p>Fishers Meadow – Bollards FC.028/19.20 To report and agree cost to install two lift & assist bollards to the entrance totalling £409.00 to prevent unauthorised access. Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Mrs J McAllan Vote unanimous So resolved</p>
R.064/19-20	<p>Allotments (a) Report on progress Cllr G Smith advised Quedgeley Council awarded the Allotment Association a grant to fund a ride on mower to maintain the communal areas. He also reported, a plot holder tripped whilst leaving the container which resulted in a broken bone in her foot and he suggested a ramp be provided to prevent further incidents. Mrs Hughes explained there may be a surplus ramp at the council office.</p>
R.065/19-20	<p>Quedgeley Cemetery (a) Report on progress Cllr S Smith reported a member of the council must be present at all funerals and asked the office to email R&A members to request a volunteer to attend burials. (b) To consider and agree expenditure not exceeding £62.00 to supply wood preserve and treat bridge and two benches Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above expenditure. Seconded Cllr Arnold Vote unanimous So resolved Cllr S Smith instructed the office to arrange a topple testing date with the Clerk and R&A members.</p>
R.066/19-20	<p>St James’ Churchyard - Tree (a) To consider latest position Mrs Hughes explained, as the Horse Chestnut Tree is protected, approval must be sought and given from Gloucester City Council prior to it being felled.</p>
R.067/19-20	<p>Budget 2019-2020 To consider latest position The budget sheet was noted and signed by the chairman.</p>
R.068/19-20	<p>Business for referral Cllr Miss Mozol requested the following items be included on the next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog Show – location

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Silent Firework Display• Ms Ottoway – Kingsway Wildlife & Sustainability Group addressed members explaining, Kingsway Wildlife opened 4 years ago and has proved very successful, as a result storage is desperately required and she queried if the council could assist. Cllr G Smith advised he is searching for storage for a local fishing group and raised the possibility of sharing the cost and storage. Cllr G Smith volunteered to investigate further and liaise with Ms Ottoway. |
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Date of Next Meeting – 4th September 2019 - Noted

Meeting Closed 8.50pm