

### MINUTES

#### of the Parks and Recreation Committee

#### held online, on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 7.00pm

#### Membership:

Cllr Brett (East) Chairman	*	Cllr Pitcher (Broadway)	A
Cllr Davis (East)	*	Cllr Robbins (East)	*
Cllr Doyle (East)	*	Cllr Spender (Broadway) Vice-Chairman	*
Cllr Fryer (Broadway)	*	Peter Hewitt (co-opted)	A

Key: \* Present A Apologies AB Absent

#### In attendance:

**Officers:** Tom Dommett, Assistant Town Clerk, Stuart Legg, Parks and Open Spaces Manager, Judith Halls, Office Manager

**Online Meeting Attendees:** Cllr Nicklin, one member of the public.

#### PR/20/011 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Pitcher and co-opted member Peter Hewitt.

#### PR/20/012 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Brett declared a non-pecuniary interest on item 9 as the Patron of Sustainable Warminster.

Cllr Davis declared a non-pecuniary interest on Item 10 as he is a Feoffee of the Chapel of St Lawrence.

Cllr Fryer declared a non-pecuniary interest on item 9 as a member of Sustainable Warminster.

#### PR/20/013 Minutes

**PR/20/013.1** The minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May were **approved as a true record and signed**.

**PR/20/013.2** There were no matters arising from the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May - **Noted**

#### PR/20/014 Chairman's Announcements

None

#### PR/20/015 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

**PR/20/016    Presentation re Bats in the Lake Pleasure Grounds**

Sarah Walters from Sustainable Warminster gave a PowerPoint presentation about bats in the Lake Pleasure Grounds and requesting support for a bat Interpretation Board. The Chairman thanked Sarah for her excellent report and apologised for the technical difficulties in the early stages of the presentation.

**PR/20/017    Reports from Unitary Authority Members**

No reports from Unitary Members for this committee.

**PR/20/018    Clerk's Report: Lake Pleasure Grounds and Associated Land**

The Clerks report was **Noted**. In response to a question from Cllr Davis it was reported that steps were being taken to try and reduce overcrowding at the skatepark.

**PR/20/019    Bat Interpretation Board in the Lake Pleasure Grounds**

Cllr Davis proposed that Warminster Town Council buy and install a bat information board, working in partnership with Sustainable Warminster to agree the artwork. WTC would invoice Sustainable Warminster for £750, as Sustainable Warminster financial contribution towards the scheme. The net cost to the town council of £728.40 to come from ear marked reserves for devolved services, seconded Cllr Robbins, voting five in favour, none against, one abstention.

**PR/20/020    Contracts**

Cllr Doyle proposed that members agree in principle that these services should be provided 'in house' by Warminster Town Council rather than through a contractor and the council instructs officers to undertake further preparatory work, seconded Cllr Robbins, voting five in favour, one against, no abstentions.

**PR/20/021    Communications**

**PR/20/21.1 Members** required a press release to be issued about the Bat Interpretation Board.

**PR/20/21.2 Cllr Brett, Chairman of the committee** would be their spokesperson to report on the Council's decision if required.

**Meeting closed 8.15pm**

**The date of the next Parks and Recreation Committee will be Monday  
28<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7.00pm**

Minutes from this meeting will be available to all members of the public either from our website [www.warminster-tc.gov.uk](http://www.warminster-tc.gov.uk) or by contacting us at Warminster Civic Centre.

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