

# HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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# **Amenities Committee**

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere

Chairman	Cllr David Round*
Vice Chairman	Cllr Libby Piper*
Councillors	Abeysundara, Bradley*, Carter*, Dover, Hewett*, King*, Odell, Peel*

<sup>\*</sup>Present

Meeting clerked by: Sarah Nash, Deputy Town Clerk.

In attendance: None

# 15/17 Apologies for absence

Councillors Abeysundara, Dover and Odell

# 16/17 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

None.

# 17/17 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 were agreed and signed as a true record.

#### 18/17 Matters arising from those minutes not otherwise stated in the agenda

5/17: The bus shelter has not yet been repaired.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to arrange for repairs to take place.

6/17: The Deputy Clerk confirmed that the 2018 allotment contract has been updated.

11/17: The applications for WBC PIC funding need progressing further. Cllr Piper suggested asking WBC why the application for funding of the steps on Grayswood Recreation Ground was unsuccessful.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to take this up with WBC.

13/17: Network Rail has been contacted about whether there has been a recent survey of the Kings Road footbridge, we are currently awaiting a response on this.

#### 19/17 Representations by the public

None

# 20/17 Allotments

- There has been a leaking tap at Sturt Road allotments. This has been reported to the plumber and is currently awaiting action.
- CCTV has been purchased and will be installed imminently.

• As the waiting list is increasing slowly the question of further allotment land was raised. The suggestion of the National Trust being approached to see if any of their land could be used to extend Collards Lane allotments could be investigated at a later date. It was also suggested that at the next Hindhead Meet the Mayor meeting to ask whether there is any public support in having allotments in Beacon Hill and Hindhead.

### 21/17 Lion Green

i. The repairs to Lion Green have been taking place. It was suggested that the area needs to be watered once the fun fair has left.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to follow this up with Commercial Groundscare.

- ii. New bin for Lion Green this has been ordered and will be received and installed in May. The emptying of the bin will be included in the LG2 contract.
- iii. Councillor Round and the Deputy Clerk visited Lion Green to check the boundary with the school, to establish whether the trees identified on the recent PBA survey are on HTC land. After visiting the site it was clear that both trees are within the boundary of the school, so no action is required by HTC. The bursar of the school has been notified of this
- iv. Councillor Edwards has offered some Wey Hill in Bloom tubs for purchase if HTC would like to install any on Lion Green to help prevent people from driving on the green owing to the new crossing. It was agreed to see how the new crossing goes and whether any damage is caused, however it would be advisable to purchase some of the tubs and store until they are needed.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to take forward

### 22/17 Grayswood

i. Councillor Round and the Deputy Clerk have contacted four organisations for quotes for the installation of steps. Two have been received, £2200 and £700. The cheapest at £700 was from the National Trust who are the landowner.

**Recommended:** That the National Trust are instructed to proceed at a cost of £700. The cost of this project was already agreed to be funded from the 2016/17 Community Fund budget; and these funds have been transferred into the current financial year as an earmarked reserve.

ii. Removal of further vegetation around the war memorial – it was agreed to get a tree surgeon out to provide a quote, and for the chairman of Amenities and Clerk to authorise expenditure if it is under £1000.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk / Chairman to take this forward.

# 9/17 **Grounds Maintenance Tender Process**

The draft specifications, contracts and contract procedure rules were considered by the Committee and agreed, with the addition of weeding and treatment of the memorial green to be included in the specification.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to amend the specification.

# 10/17 Tall Planters - High Street and Petworth Road

Consideration was given to the installation of artificial plants. The Committee agreed that the planters should remain where they are, with no artificial plants. The plants that are

currently planted in them seem to be doing well. No further action is therefore needed on this.

#### 11/17 Blackspots in Haslemere

Cllr Round gave an update on the walkabouts. Wey Hill still needs to be done. Many of the improvements that need to be made fall outside HTC's remit.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to forward on tasks to the responsible authorities.

The retaining wall at the rear of the Pocket Park / Shepherds Hill has some exposed metalwork.

**Action:** Deputy Clerk to report to SCC as a matter of urgency.

# **12/17 Town Well**

Cllr Round gave an update on the Town Well. It was agreed that quotes should be sought for the grille to be made openable.

Action: Deputy Clerk to follow up.

# 13/17 The Edge Leisure Centre

Cllr Round advised that he and Cllr Carter will be meeting with Waverley representatives on 5<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the future plans for The Edge Leisure Centre.

14/17 <u>Next meeting</u> 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2017		Meeting closed at 8.30pm
Signed:	Date:	
Chairman of Amenities		