



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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Amenities Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 11 April 2019
Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere

Chairman	Cllr Melanie Odell*
Vice Chairman	Cllr Simon Dear*
Councillors	Abeyasundara, Bradley*, Hewett*, Hill, King*, Peel* and Round*

*Present

Meeting clerked by: Pippa Auger, Deputy Town Clerk.

10/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The committee accepted the absences of Cllrs Abeyasundara (work) and Hill (holiday)

11/19 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

12/19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held 7 February 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record

13/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE STATED IN THE AGENDA

86/17 Bin on Wey Hill

Still waiting for SCC approval to fix to pavement

54/18 Allotments – Clammer Hill Shed

Proposal was put before Full Council on 21 March and the spend was agreed subject to planning permission. Under the General Permitted Development Order 2015 Part 12 (development by local authorities) a local authority is permitted to build a small building of less than 200 cubic metres and less than 4 metres high on land belonging .. to them.

The shed is 14ft by 8ft by 6ft (672 cubic ft) which is under 20 cubic metres and it has been agreed by the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Amenities Committee to go ahead and purchase the shed with no recourse to the local planning authority.

65/18 WBC grounds contract

The Amenities committee agreed that HTC would not enter into a tapering agreement unless WBC were prepared to consider transferring the Freehold and WBC were written to in those terms. This was considered at Full Council in January 2019, when it was agreed that HTC would accept a tapering agreement subject to satisfactory lease terms. The Heads of Terms are with solicitors acting for us, Farnham and Witley.

66/18 Allotments – clearance of Collards and Sturt Road areas

The areas have been cleared. A new plot at Collards Lane has been created and rented out. The new plot at Sturt Road is more difficult to let due to its location and because there is still a lot of old debris in the ground.

6/19 Lion Green

a) Table tennis playing surfaces have been installed

b) The surface erosion by the road side entrance of the enclosed playground has been repaired

8/19 Public toilets

All plumbing works have been completed – including replacing the ladies pans, removing the mens' trough and installing two new urinals and a privacy screen.

The sub-committee met on 3rd April and have agreed the next phase of works which will include reducing the height of the brick entrance walls and installing three new Wallgate machines once we have specific confirmation from WBC that the cost to HTC is accepted as capital expenditure to be re-imbursed as described within the lease.

14/19 **REPRESENTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC**

None

15/19 **LION GREEN**

a) Damage to Lion Green and remedial work

Following a meeting with the Council's contractor we were advised that remedial work should take place once the Fun Fair has left Lion Green on 29 April 2019. Subject to the weather and ground conditions the ground will be spiked, over seeded and fertilised.

Action: Deputy Clerk to instruct the contractor to carry out the remedial work after 29 April but to over seed the worn areas only.

Action: Deputy Clerk to instruct the contractor to spike Lion Green four times during Autumn/Winter.

Damage to the verge

There is real concern about the state of the left-hand verge of Lion Green, where people occasionally drive on it. There was general discussion about the options the committee has available to them, including the installation of more boulders or posts. In addition, it was suggested that the lime trees were not helping as they prevent light getting to the grass and they drop debris on the grass all year round.

Action: Deputy Clerk to obtain quotes for the purchase and installation of wooden posts, of a similar or identical nature to those already on the Green, every three metres from the boulders to the youth shelter, and apply for external funding for the project.

Action: Deputy Clerk to obtain quotes to raise the crowns of the lime trees.

Action: Deputy Clerk to prepare a precis of all the work Haslemere Town Council does in maintaining Lion Green and its facilities to put up on the Lion Green noticeboard.

b) Play area inspections

Noted.

16/19 **TOWN HALL ROOF**

There was general discussion about the state of the roof and the internal damp. The Town Clerk had received two disparate quotes from roofing companies and a third confirmed it would need to erect scaffolding to get up to the roof and chimneys, which would incur costs in itself.

Recommendation: To pay for a report of the state of the roof with recommendations for remedial work and obtain quotes based on the report.

17/19 **NEXT MEETING**

13th June 2019

Meeting closed at 7.45pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Chairman of Amenities