



Petworth Town Council

THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING ON THE 21st FEBRUARY 2018.

A MEETING OF OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE TOOK PLACE ON TUESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2017 AT 7.00PM IN THE PETWORTH TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE, THE OLD BAKERY, GOLDEN SQUARE, PETWORTH

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Roger Hanauer (Chair)
Cllr Alan Copus
Cllr Chris Kemp
Cllr Jim Scallon
Cllr Michael Peet
Melanie Kite, Clerk

16/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman pointed out the fire exit and reminded everyone about mobile phones.

17/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSCENCE

Cllr D. Burden, Cllr J. Fynes

18/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

19/17 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th October 2017.

These were approved at the Full Council meeting held on 16th November 2017.

20/17 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

21/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Adjournment of the meeting for public questions.

No members of the public were present.

Meeting re-convened

22/17 WICKSTEAD RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT

Cllr Hanauer highlighted the main points on the risk assessment report. Most action points are Low and Medium levels of risk.

Quotations are to be sought for the repair of a bench and uneven areas of tarmac in Rosemary Gardens.

At Hampers Common playground there are two areas of exposed concrete on the safety grass which need repairing. This will be added to the repair of the layby and entrance when seeking quotations.

23/17 ALLOTMENTS

HJS Landscapes has assessed the work on the hedges around the Grove Road and Midhurst Road allotment sites, the clearance of the bank along Station Road along with the ongoing maintenance of the bank, and the repair of the path between the Grove Road allotments.

Work on the hedges and Station Road bank was agreed; the Clerk was asked to get clarification of the amount of scalplings required for repairing the pathway and to check with WSCC Highways to confirm whether they undertake to flail the verges or not.

24/17 BUS SHELTER – STATION ROAD

The Clerk confirmed that the money had been received.

A plaque was still being sought as printing the Petworth Town logo was proving difficult for companies. Cllr Copus will continue to pursue this.

25/17 DOG FOULING

To coincide with CDC's litter campaign the issue of dog fouling at Hampers Common will be brought to their attention.

It was suggested that the Council approach the primary school to enquire if pupils would like to do a piece of art work which would be used to advertise 'clearing up after your dog'.

26/17 BLOCKED CULVERT

Having received our consultant's report back in October, the council is still waiting for a reply from Sue Furlong at CDC.

27/17 BOY'S SCHOOL GRAVES

Councillors were made aware of the latest email from David Hyland. He explained that:

the developer had now submitted drawings illustrating how they might achieve their Public Art requirement in line with the proposals discussed at the meeting of 1st August 2017.

District Cllr Eileen Lintill and County Cllr Janet Duncton have undertaken to consult with survivors regarding the suitability of what has been proposed, and therefore hope to come to a view on that in the next 4 – 6 weeks.

He explained that it was entirely up to the developer to discharge their planning obligation, overseen by CDC and that as such, the Petworth Town Council are not instrumental in any decision making.

Cllr Hanauer expressed his disappointment at the content of the email and particularly that the bereaved families are not being consulted. He felt that the Council has a responsibility to all the families not just the survivors as CDC are focussing on.

28/17 ANY ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

Skate Park – there has been no further information regarding the Covenant on the car park. An insurance policy will be taken out to cover any eventualities.

Cllr Hanauer will invite Wheelscape for a meeting to discuss the layout and showing the total square metres required. This will be shown to CDC car parks at the next meeting.

The Clerk will write a Child Protection Policy as required by Sports England.

BT Phone Box – still waiting for confirmation about it being disconnected.

Open Spaces Committee Meetings – these will now be every other month. The next meeting will be in February.

Cllr Kemp informed the Members that the gardening ladies have purchased bulbs for planting at the gateways and the bank along Station Road.

Meeting closed 8:45pm.

Signed
Chairman

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