

## PETWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

### A MEETING OF THE OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH JANUARY 2013 IN THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT: Mrs A Simmons (in the chair) Mr K Lintill,  
Mr J Robbins and Mr A Sneller.

CLERK: Mrs J Huggett.

In the absence of the Chairman Mrs Simmons took the chair.

1. Apologies were received from Mrs L Pearce, and subsequently from Mr R Chandler (Chairman).
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
There were no declarations of interest.
3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING  
The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 25th October 2012, having been circulated, they were proposed by Mr Sneller, seconded by Mr Robbins, and signed.
4. MATTERS ARISING
  - (a) Seats: These are now in situ and look good.
  - (b) Horsham Road Wall: The Clerk said she had received no response from Mr Riley and will follow this up.
5. HEALTH AND SAFETY
  - (a) Street Lighting in Lombard Street: The two new lights on posts have been installed. Mr Lintill said he is having correspondence with a resident, Mrs Thomson, who is not happy with the light sited outside her property. He has suggested she comes to full Council to discuss it. Mr Sneller said that the light, by what used to be Threshers shop, is pointing the wrong way, it should be angled down the street. After a short discussion it was agreed to leave this for the time being.
6. SKATEBOARD PARK

Mr Lintill said a revised design has been produced by the District Council, it is now with Lord Egremont and Mr Simon Knight and he is waiting to hear from them. Their objection had been to the height of the equipment, this has now been lowered. Mr Sneller said if it is too low it won't be what is needed. Mr Lintill said the height will still be the same, it will just be lowered into the ground.

7. ROSEMARY GARDENS

- (a) Replacement for Mr Clive McColl: The Clerk said those who had received their Petworth Pages will have seen the advertisement for Mr McColl's replacement. She circulated a draft Job Description she had produced and said one person had been in touch, he had said he would let her have his details but she had heard nothing further. Mr Robbins said the contractors he had approached would not be interested in emptying bins or sweeping the play area, he thought this should be a separate contract. He also suggested that the cutting of Hampers Common should be included. A discussion followed, it was agreed that the Clerk take out any mention of a fee, include Hampers Common in the Job Description which can then be sent out to applicants for tender.

8. HAMPERS COMMON

Mr Sneller said Mr Riddell will put a roller over the ground when the weather allows. The Clerk said she has been asked by Mr Cutter, who has now left the Estate's employ, that they would like the entrance to the common tidied up.

9. ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk said she had nothing to report. All allotments, except one at Tillington Road were taken, which Mr Robbins had weed killed. Mr Robbins said the weeds are dying down.

10. TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

Car Parks lights: Mr Lintill said two lights on the Pound Street side are going off and on. The Clerk to report them.

Hanging Baskets: Mr Sneller suggested that, to save money, Petworth Community Garden should be given the opportunity to produce the hanging baskets. Mr Robbins said he didn't know if they had the necessary knowledge, or the facilities, to produce and bring on the number of plants required. After a short discussion it was agreed that he speak to Ms Brickell, the Clerk to let him know the number of baskets and the price paid.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

