

**TOWN COUNCIL OF FRINTON AND WALTON**

**MINUTES of the Recreation and Amenities Committee  
held at the Council House, Frinton-on-Sea,  
Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017 commencing at 7.15 pm**

**Present :**

Councillors R. J. Bucke Chairman  
E.T. Allen, Mrs L. Allen, P.R. Clifton, D Oxley, Mrs I. Johnson, J. Robertson

**Absent:**

Councillor C.S. Keston

**In Attendance**

Mrs. M. Liles – Town Clerk  
Ms D. Milnes - Deputy Town Clerk

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**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor C. S. Keston

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**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was moved, seconded and

**RESOLVED**

that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 7th September 2017 (pages 9 - 12) be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

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**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETING**

Minute 38, page 10 – in response to the Chairman, Councillor Bucke the Town Clerk advised that the Boot sales had now ceased and it was thought that Sunday afternoons would not be popular.

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**COLUMBINE CENTRE – PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES AND BOOKINGS**

The list of future bookings including regular hirers at the Centre had been included in the papers and was noted by those present. The Clerk answered questions relating to party bookings.

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**COLUMBINE CENTRE- RESPONSE FROM COASTLANDS COMMUNITY CHURCH**

The Clerk reported that the Coastlands Community Church had now responded and their membership had confirmed that they wanted to go ahead with this booking. They would visit the Centre to carry out inspections and risk assessments.

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**COLUMBINE CENTRE – MAINTENANCE WORKS AND PROPOSED NEW LIGHTING**

The Clerk advised Members that Mr White had carried out a temporary repair in a bid to stop the water coming into the Bowls Club Office. Councillor E.T. Allen voiced some reservations about producing the specification he had agreed to provide but after discussion he agreed to produce this for the next meeting of this Committee ready for going out to estimates for the work.

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**OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE COLUMBINE CENTRE**

The Clerk informed Members of two complaints received following a booking which had involved a full investigation which was still ongoing.

*Councillor R.J. Bucke declared an interest in the next item, remained in the Council Chamber but did not participate in the discussion.*

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**WALTON & DISTRICT INDOOR BOWLS CLUB**

The Clerk advised that only a holding response had been received.

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**SEAFRONT SHELTERS AND BUS SHELTERS**

The Clerk gave the following updates.

The estimate for repairs to the Clock Tower shelter was in the regions of £3,400 but damage was continuing to take place. Cllrs Keston and J. Robertson were investigating a way of fixing in the small panels as these were being removed to cause more damage to the window areas.

The Kino and Standley Road shelters in Walton were nearing completion and would be inspected before the invoices were paid.

A picture was shown of another bus shelter in Walton which had been damaged and would need repairs.

A lorry had knocked down the bus shelter at Kirby Cross and the Clerk had contacted the company responsible who had offered to replace the shelter with a new wooden one. Members felt the new replacement shelter should be metal and the Clerk would discuss this with the company concerned. Some concern about all the damage was shown and it was voiced that Full Council should take this further.

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**PLAY AREAS**

The Clerk advised that a meeting had been arranged with Councillor C. Keston for the following week to discuss his new plans for the proposed Great Holland Play Area refurbishment. It was stated that the Council should try again to establish a facility on the Kiosk Field. It was noted that the plans were going ahead for the new play equipment on Bathhouse Meadow.

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**FESTIVE LIGHTS**

The Town Clerk referred to the lampposts that could not be used following the Essex County Council survey report and it was agreed to go ahead with the ones that had passed this year. The chosen lights for Frinton would have to be taken out in a three year contract and this was agreed by Members. It was noted that Frinton's Christmas Festival would be on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

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**ALLOTMENTS – REVIEW OF THE ALLOTMENT AGREEMENT**

Following discussion it was

**RECOMMENDED**

to increase the holding deposit taken from new tenants to £100

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**ALLOTMENTS – ANY OTHER MATTERS**

None were raised.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.37pm.

CHAIRMAN