

TOWN COUNCIL OF FRINTON AND WALTON

**MINUTES of the Recreation and Amenities Committee
held at the Council House, Frinton-on-Sea,
Thursday, 25th April 2019 commencing at 10.30am**

Present:

Councillors: Mrs I. Johnson (Chairman)
J. Robertson, P.R. Clifton, C.S. Keston, D. Oxley.

Absent:

Councillors: E.T. Allen, Mrs L. Allen, R. J. Bucke.

In Attendance:

Town Clerk: Mr J S Wedge.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors E.T. Allen, Mrs L. Allen, R. J. Bucke.

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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 21st March 2019 (pages 24 – 27) be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETING

There were no matters arising.

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COLUMBINE CENTRE

- (a) The report on future bookings including regular hirers at the Columbine Centre had been included in the papers and was noted by those present.
- (b) A verbal up-date was provided on other matters relating to the Columbine Centre. It was noted that no reply by the deadline had been received to the letter sent to Tendring DC about a new Notice Board on the sea front grass verge opposite the access road entrance to the Columbine Centre so it would be erected. The committee agreed that 4 new stage beam lights should be purchased at a cost of £350 (including VAT) to replace broken ones. It was agreed that this is quite urgent due to the concerts already booked over the summer.

and it was moved, seconded and

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

that 4 new stage beam lights at a cost of £350 should be purchased.

Councillor C.S Keston declared an interest in the next item and left the room.

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BUS SHELTER AND TOILET REPAIRS

The committee discussed a report about the repair of the bus shelter by the Frinton railway gates and works to create a hard standing at Old Way toilets. It was agreed that the bid from supplier D for the repairs to the bus shelter was too low to guarantee a good job so the second lowest quotation should be accepted which is supplier A. The committee decided to accept the lowest quotation for the works to create a hard standing at Old Way toilets

and it was moved, seconded and

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

that an order is placed with Supplier A for the repair of the Bus Shelter by the Railway Gates, Frinton.

that an order is placed with Supplier B for the works at Old Way Toilets, Frinton.

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ALLOTMENTS

It was noted that the widow of the Plot 35 KLS allotment holder had arranged for the 266 tyres mentioned at the last meeting to be cleared.

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THE SPINNEY

The committee discussed a report about the garden maintenance of the Spinney. It was agreed that the bid from supplier A for the contract was too low to guarantee a good job so the second lowest quotation should be accepted which is supplier B

and it was moved, seconded and

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

that an order is placed with Supplier B for the garden maintenance of the Spinney.

The committee also discussed the provision of benches in the Spinney. It was agreed that six St. George 5ft benches at a cost of £425 each should be purchased from Parkers Garden company Ltd. and positioned in accordance with the architects drawing. This cost includes provision for fitting and an engraved plaque. It is anticipated that each bench will be sponsored as a memorial bench. So far, we have four people interested in this. If six sponsors are found there will be no cost to the council

and it was moved, seconded and

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

that an order is placed with Parkers Garden Company Ltd. for six benches for the Spinney.

It was also agreed that dogs should not be allowed in the Spinney gardens, two bins should be installed and appropriate signage arranged that stated opening times and the dog ban. It was agreed that the Spinney opening times would be in line with the toilet opening times.

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GREAT HOLLAND PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT

It was noted that parking at Pork Lane is still a problem. The Clerk noted that any plans for a car park on what is land registered as common land would need consent from the Secretary of State. Councillor Keston reported on a residents meeting that he had attended where residents objected to the idea of a car park. However, the committee agreed that this could still be necessary and they asked for a specification for this work to be drawn up and tenders sought for this work.

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WALTON MARKET

It was noted that the Walton market re-opening on 18th April had been a success.

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FURTHER MATTERS RAISED

There were no other matters that the Chairman considered urgent, the public were thanked for their attendance.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 11.35am.

CHAIRMAN