

TOWN COUNCIL OF FRINTON AND WALTON

**MINUTES of the Recreation and Amenities Committee
held at the Council House, Frinton-on-Sea,
Thursday, 4th November 2021 commencing at 7.15 pm**

Present:

Councillors: Mrs A. Oxley, (Chairman)
E.T. Allen, P.R. Clifton, C.S. Keston (arrived 7.35pm) Mrs I. Johnson, Mrs F.
Robertson.

Absent:

Councillors: Miss P. Walford, Mrs L. Allen, D. Oxley and Fiona Knowles.

In Attendance:

Town Clerk: J. Wedge.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies from Councillors Miss P. Walford, Mrs L. Allen, D. Oxley and Fiona Knowles.

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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 23rd September 2021 (pages 10 – 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

Councillor C.S. Keston reported on a meeting that had taken place to look at improving road safety measures at roads adjacent to Great Holland playground. The suggestion was made to move the gate back and cut back the adjoining hedge so that motorist's visibility of children leaving the playground could be improved. The Town Clerk agreed to meet Councillor C.S. Keston to discuss.

There were no other matters arising from the minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 23rd September August 2021.

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COLUMBINE CENTRE

(a) The report on Columbine Centre bookings was discussed and it was noted that bookings were improving a little. However, the Chairman and the new Town Clerk would look at any new ideas to increase bookings.

(b) Estimates for refurbishing the Columbine Centre floor in August 2022 were considered. They were all around £8,000 and it was decided that that the current supplier, who had done work on the floor in

2007, 2009 and 2016, should be used again. In addition, money should be added to the 2022/23 budget for this work and **it was moved, seconded and**

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

£8,000 should be added to the 2022/23 budget for this work.

(c) The ancient computer and limited till system were discussed. It was agreed that a more modern till system should be investigated in 2022/23 so money should be added to that year's budget for this matter and **it was moved, seconded and**

Unanimously RECOMMENDED:

£2,500 should be added to the 2022/23 budget for this work.

(d) The only other matter raised in relation to the Columbine Centre was that the NHS are wanting to book the car park area for their mobile vaccination bus and have been offered various dates.

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GRIT BIN SECOND AVENUE/HOLLAND ROAD

Members noted that the Town Council's Essex County Council representative had made a formal application to Essex County Council for this bin. Councillor E.T. Allen requested that it be a green one.

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ALLOTMENTS

It was noted that Tendring District Council have appointed a surveyor to value the Pole Barn Lane allotment site. It was agreed that the Town Council would only be prepared to offer a nominal sum of £1 to purchase this site should Tendring DC agree to sell the site to Frinton and Walton Town Council.

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BUS AND SEA FRONT SHELTERS

It was noted that the shelter at Great Holland had been struck by a lorry and was slightly but not seriously damaged. There were no matters discussed relating to bus and seafront shelters.

AOB

Frinton Free church had asked if they could sing carols on the evening of Wednesday 15th December at the Spinney Gardens. Members agreed that this is a good idea and that permission should be granted for this.

There were no further matters that the Chairman considered urgent, those present were thanked for their attendance and the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

CHAIRMAN