



Wimborne Minster Town Council

Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 1LT

Minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Building Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 19 September 2023 at 7pm** in the Committee Room at Wimborne Minster Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1LT.

Present: Councillors: S Bartlett (Chairman), J Hart, D March (Town Mayor), B Richmond, A Roberts (Vice Chair), and S. Wheeler (Deputy Town Mayor)
Members of the public: three.
Officer: KR Brooks (Deputy Town Clerk).

RLB/2024/017	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies was received from Cllr Chedgy (non-business), and Cllr Hinks (non-business) Cllr Roberts proposed to accept apologies, seconded by Cllr Richmond, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: apologies for absence were accepted.</p>
RLB/2024/018	<p>Declarations of interest and dispensations</p> <p>Cllr Bartlett declared a non-pecuniary interest (Dorset Council Councillor).</p>
RLB/2024/019	<p>Public participation</p> <p>A member of the public (MOP) spoke about the anti-social behaviour (ASB) on Redcotts Recreation ground at the toilet block. The Chairman stated that ASB and any plans to deter and eliminate would be discussed at the Redcotts Recreation Working Group after the meeting. Assurance was given by the Chairman that consultation of any plans would be discussed with the MOP before instigation.</p> <p>The Chairman moved forward item 7 for the proposed extension of Wimborne Bowls Club for discussion. Cllr Bartlett stated that he would not comment on the matter due to the non-pecuniary interest. The MOP discussed the planned extension of the Bowls Club and the increased cost implications which necessitated a reduced and revised plan. Cllr Wheeler proposed to accept the revised plans for the Bowls Club in principle, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: The revised plans for the Bowls Club were accepted in principle.</p>
RLB/2024/020	<p>Minutes of the Committee 4 July 2023</p> <p>Cllr Richmond proposed that the amended minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Buildings Committee meeting held on the 4 July 2023 be agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman with agreed amendments.</p> <p>Resolved: that the amended minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Buildings Committee meeting held on the 4 July 2023 be agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman.</p>

<p>RLB/2024/021</p>	<p>Matters reported from the Town Clerk in relation to actions from previous meetings.</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on the ongoing repairs to Redcotts footpath and associated furniture after the refurbishment of Beaucroft School and the subsequent damage that has incurred. Only one item had been repaired which was the exit of the path to the school entrance, which involved repairing the path with a large patch of asphalt. Numerous other areas have not been repaired such as a broken lamppost and several areas of damage to the main path. The Chairman informed the Committee that he had escalated to Dorset Council the failure to repair the remaining areas of damage and was waiting for a response.</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on the ongoing ASB damage at Redcotts and the cost implications to the Town Council in repairing and replacing. The Chairman suggested that a CCTV system would be useful to cover the 'hot spot' ASB areas at Redcotts and to deter and gain evidence to submit to the Police. Cllr Wheeler proposed that the Deputy Town Clerk should explore the purchase of further CCTV, seconded by Cllr Richmond, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: Deputy Town Clerk should explore the purchase of further CCTV.</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk updated the committee that a tree had been obtained to replace the diseased chestnut tree at Redcotts that had recently been felled for Health and Safety issues at no cost. The new tree would be planted in the vicinity of the felled tree that was conducive to its species.</p> <p>The Chairman informed the Committee of the long-standing issue of the hedge line around the Bowls Club and that it was overgrown with bramble and was not fit for purpose. It was agreed that the Deputy Town Clerk would source costs for a wooden fence to temporarily replace the hedge until a new hedge was planted.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the need to replace the unverified dead lime tree at Redcotts if an arborist confirms the tree's demise. Cllr Richmond proposed that quotes for the removal of the roots and tree and a replacement tree be sought. Cllr Wheeler seconded, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: An arborist was to confirm demise of the lime tree, and gain quotes for removal and replacement of the lime tree.</p> <p>An update was given by the Deputy Town Clerk of the Jubilee Garden and its future. Cllr March proposed that the garden volunteer from Scaplen's Court be invited to give a presentation to the Full Council of the garden's future plans, seconded by Cllr Richmond, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr March proposed that the garden volunteer from Scaplen's Court be invited to give a presentation to the Full Council of the garden's future plans, seconded by Cllr Richmond, all in favour.</p> <p>The purchase of a replacement vandalised metal dog waste bin for Redcotts was agreed. Cllr Wheeler proposed to accept and approve quote 3 at a cost of £169.00, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p>
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	<p>Resolved: metal dog waste bin (quote 3) at a cost of £169.00 was approved.</p> <p>The quote of £400.00 to relocate a CCTV aerial to rectify the intermittent network drop out was discussed. Cllr Hart proposed to accept the quote and Cllr Richmond seconded, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: the quote of £400.00 for CCTV aerial rectification was approved.</p> <p>The quote of £1,674.75 to renewal the yearly contract of Legionella water hygiene contract for Redcotts pavilion was discussed. Cllr Wheeler proposed to accept the quote, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: the quote of £1,674.75 for the renewal of Legionella water hygiene contract was approved.</p> <p>The quote for £150.00 was discussed to weld the main gates at Redcotts to negate any interference after a recent attempt was made to remove them. Cllr Wheeler proposed to accept the quote, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: the quote of £150.00 for the welding of the gate at Redcotts was approved.</p> <p>The quote for a post and rope fence around the garage at Redcotts was declined by the Committee due to unnecessary expense and Health and Safety and trip hazard. Instead, the Committee suggested that correct signage should be purchased and installed to inform the public of the hazard. Cllr Wheeler proposed that signage was to be sought by the Deputy Town Clerk, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Wheeler proposed that signage was to be sought, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.</p> <p>A quote for a new grass pathway at the garage on Redcotts for ingress and egress for the councils' vehicles was agreed to eliminate a current blind spot. Cllr Wheeler proposed quote 2 at a cost of £393.60, seconded by Cllr Richmond, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: new grass pathway (quote 2) of £393.60 was approved.</p> <p>The purchase of a replacement styrax tree for the Queens Green Canopy Tree Trail at a cost of £450.00 was discussed. Cllr Richmond proposed to purchase the Styrax Tree, seconded by Cllr Wheeler, all in favour.</p> <p>Resolved: the quote of £450.00 for the purchase of styrax tree was approved.</p>
RLB/2024/022	<p>Request for Dog Mantrailing training at Redcotts</p> <p>The Committee discussed a request from a member of public to conduct dog training on Redcotts, it was agreed that the Deputy Town Clerk was tasked to gain more information and report to the Committee.</p>
RLB/2024/023	<p>The Committee agreed to change the name of the Tennis Club Working group to the Redcotts Recreation Working Group to be more inclusive.</p>
RLB/2024/024	<p>The Committee discussed the request for additional bike racks in the town square from a resident. The Committee agreed the square was already cluttered, and the bike racks would make it worse. The Committee agreed to look for alternative locations for bike racks.</p>
RLB/2024/025	<p>Play Area Inspection Reports were noted by the Committee.</p>

RLB/2024/026	Queens Tree Trail update and walkabout. Cllr Richmond updated the Committee on the progress of the Queens Green Canopy (QGC). It was agreed the Deputy Town Clerk was to produce all the costings for the QGC to the next Full Council and Cllrs Bartlett, Chedgy and Richmond would formulate a report to go to Full Council for the long-term management and maintenance at a later date. The proposed walkabout was delayed until next spring.
RLB/2024/027	The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on the Recreation, Leisure and Buildings site visits conducted on the 14 September 23 with Cllrs Bartlett and Roberts.
RLB/2024/028	Date of next meeting and close of meeting The Chairman confirmed the date of the next meeting as 17 October 2023 and closed the meeting at 8.37pm.

Signature of Chairman:

Date: