

Amenities Committee Meeting, held Monday 6th July 2015

Present: Chairman: Cllr. C Palmer
 Councillors: K Archer, P Atkin, K Bowler, G Cullen, J Dobson, J Forrest,
 P Forster, T Hall, D Robertson
 Officer: J Johnstone

AC/72	<u>To receive declarations of interest from Councillors re agenda items:</u> No declarations to receive.
Resolved:	That there are no declarations to receive.
AC/73	<u>To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.</u> None to be granted.
Resolved:	That there are no dispensations to be granted.
AC/74	<u>To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Amenities Meeting held 1st June 2015.</u> A question asked 898.2 works at Knottobottom allotments. Members were informed that the workmen had to pull off site because of 2 beehives.
Resolved:	That the minutes are received and adopted
AC/75	<u>To consider matters arising from the last meeting:</u>
75.1	Permits Dene Road. Assistant Clerk had spoken to the solicitor and he had recommended that permits are not raised as this will cause ownership issues over the land.
Resolved:	That the bollards remain and a letter is sent to the residents.
75.2	Placement of 3 Springer's at Bankhead Road: The Chairman said that it is her recommendation that the bench and bin are moved from their current position to the back of the site and that the new items are placed together in this area. It was also agreed that Rospa or the Council's insurers are asked about the correct surface to be used under the new springer equipment. Costs for the next meeting.
Resolved:	That costs are obtained for the next meeting of Amenities.
75.3	Two large planters have been given to the Town Council by Tesco. It was agreed that these items will be placed either side of Town Hall steps when they have been varnished. It was suggested that the containers are planted with shaped conifers at £19.99 each. This was agreed.
Resolved:	a) That a letter of thanks is written to Tesco b) That shaped conifers are planted in the containers
AC/76	<u>Report on Bridges by Consultant:</u> Applegarth Bridge: Discussion took place over the report by the consultant and where the responsibility lies for the footbridge at Applegarth. Also discussion took place about the footpath which goes alongside Crows field and ends up at a locked gate, meaning that the footpath is not accessible.

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Resolved:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) That a letter is written to NYCC for a definitive decision on ownership of bridge. b) That a letter is written to the Footpath Officer to ask them to contact Crows about the locked gate, which is stopping access on the footpath.
	<p>Bullamoor Memorial Park: Discussion took place over the report by the consultant on bridges on Bullamoor and it was agreed that the cost is verified with the consultant and it was agreed that the works are undertaken as soon as possible.</p>
Resolved:	Option A & B was agreed at a cost of £5200
AC/77	<p><u>Bullamoor Memorial Park Community Group:</u> It was agreed that a meeting will be organised for 2/3 weeks and that all people wishing to be involved are invited to attend. It was also agreed that Nicky Smith and Lisa Wilson will be invited along to discuss funding for the scheme. Purchase of new equipment will be put on hold pending the upgrade of lighting on the Park. It was agreed that the meeting will be published on face book and via a press release.</p>
Resolved:	That the above action is approved.
AC/78	<p><u>Ground Supervisors Report:</u></p>
78.1	<p><u>Bullamoor:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wet pour surface for Roundabout and slide in poor condition 2. Anti wrap inserts need replacing 3. Tarmac path behind shrub beds 4. Inspection of New Grids
Resolved:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake the works to repair the wet pour 2. Cllr Archer to repair the anti-wrap inserts 3. Cllr Dobson recommended alternative slurry seal – Chargehand to obtain cost 4. Supervisor and Cllr Dobson awaiting second site visit with the Environment Agency
78.2	<p><u>Applegarth:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vandals have dug holes in wet pour. Members were informed that Atkinson's now do wet pour at a reasonable cost 2. Damaged litter bin in play area – approval sought to replace 3. Damage to Slide and consideration of quotations.
Resolved:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake the repair to the wet pour. 2. The litter bin to be replaced through HDC 3. Slide to be removed, repaired and put back when repaired. Quotation 2 in the sum of £440 is accepted.
78.3	<p><u>Winton Road:</u> Discussion took place about the large oak tree behind 79 Turker Lane</p>
Resolved:	That when the Grounds Supervisor returns from leave that he is asked if he is confident enough to remove the tree with root ball and move elsewhere.

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78.4	It was agreed that all vandalism to be reported to the police.
78.5	PDA – It was agreed that this matter is pursued.
Resolved:	1. That all vandalism is reported to the Police 2. That the purchase of a PDA is pursued.
78.6	Letter from staff to request wearing shorts in summer.
Resolved:	Contact health and safety and insurance for advice and then purchase if appropriate
78.7	Request to purchase 6 panels of heras fencing at cost of £300
Resolved:	6 panels are purchased

Meeting closed at 8.25pm