

Minutes of the meeting of the OPEN SPACES & LEISURE COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Council Offices, Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks on Monday 13 December 2010 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

Cllr R J Parry – Chairman
Cllr M G Short (arr. 7:05) - Vice Chairman

Cllr R M C Hogarth Cllr P E Towell
Cllr Mrs M A London (5)

Also present:

Cllr J Canet

In Attendance:

Deputy Town Clerk
Open Spaces & Cemetery Manager
Committee Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from Cllrs J Brigden, A Eyre, Mrs P C Walshe, S Raikes and the Chief Executive/Town Clerk

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

246 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were received from members in respect of items of business included in the agenda for this meeting

Cllr Parry, being a Member of Kent County Council, stated he would reconsider matters to be discussed at this meeting at County level, taking into account all relevant evidence and representations at Kent County Council.

Cllr Parry, being a Member of the Kent & Medway Fire and Rescue Authority, stated he would reconsider matters to be discussed by the Authority, taking into account all relevant evidence and representations

247 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that

The minutes of the meeting of the Open Spaces & Leisure Committee held on 25 October 2010 were received and signed as a true record.

248 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Statement of Accounts for month ended 31 October 2010 was received and noted.

249 DRAFT REVENUE ESTIMATES 2011/12 & ROLLING CAPITAL PROGRAMME

It was RESOLVED that

- i. the draft revenue estimates
 - ii. the rolling capital programme for 2011/2012 and 2012/13
 - iii. the property maintenance schedule 2011/2012
- be noted and approved

It was agreed that the Open Spaces and Cemetery Manager arrange further Community Clean Up Days with local residents at Mill Pond Wood and other Open Spaces' sites in the Spring of 2011.

250 OPEN SPACES & CEMETERY MANAGER'S REPORT

The open Spaces & Cemetery Manager's report was received and considered.

It was resolved that a report be drawn up by the Open Spaces & Cemetery Manager and the Deputy Town Clerk regarding the short, medium and long term solutions for gritting and snow clearance and assistance that the Town Council may be able to provide in conjunction with other local authorities

It was noted that

- i. the snow chains had proved a good investment
- ii. the Town Council would invest in winter tyres when replacement tyres were required

The Open Spaces and Cemetery staff were thanked for the hard work involved in clearing Town Council sites.

Members commented on the excellent state of the Vine War Memorial when the Remembrance Day Service and Parade were held in November

251 RALEYS GYM REPORT

The report from Raleys Gym was received and noted.

252 CURRENT MATTERS

The report on current matters was received and noted.

It was resolved that a post and rail fence be erected at Judds Piece.

The installation of a gas regulator at Vine Waste was agreed subject to the installation being approved by the Conservation Officer and ensuring Health and Safety regulations are met

253 PRESS RELEASE

It was considered that no items were appropriate for a press release.

The meeting closed at 7:50pm

Chairman