

LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the Recreation, Leisure & Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 18th January 2016 in the Council Office, 22 High Street, Ludgershall at 7pm.		
Present:	Cllr Hindson in the Chair	Cllr Giles
	Cllr Burgon	Cllr Downie
	Cllr Hall	
Absent:	Cllr Dance	Cllr Allan

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1/16	1. Apologies were received from Cllr White (attending TCAB) & Cllr Crane (Agreed absence)	
2/16	2. Declaration of Interest – no declarations received.	
3/16	3. Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and approved at January 2016 full Town Council meeting.	
4/16	<p>4. Play Area</p> <p>Dewey's Lane –a) Sovereign Play equipment has been installed, the herras fencing and skip still to be removed from site. Two final invoices received for payment with an Operation and Maintenance Manual (To be kept in the Office), the invoices will be presented for payment at the Finance & Policy meeting.</p> <p>b) Security Light – AJK Services have moved both lamps slightly to illuminate down the Rec and across the play area to hopefully protect the equipment. The lights will be monitored for 3 months and the office to record any complaints received.</p> <p>c) Canopy – the committee agreed to continue the search for the right equipment. The Clerk to contact the new Commanding Officer, 26 Engineer Regiment to see if they could help in the design and building of this equipment.</p> <p>d) The clerk reported used needles had been found in the play area this morning by our caretaker and PCSO Downham had called at the Office with a Sharps box to dispose of them. The clerk to investigate obtaining a Sharps container from a voluntary organization.</p> <p>Pretoria Road – nothing to report.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5/16	5. Recreation Ground – a) British Gas Business, electric renewal plan. The Rec plan runs until 31 st May 2016 but as the Town Council has just renewed their plan for the toilets, new prices for the Rec have been quoted to take effect from June 2016 until 30 th January 2017 so all plans are reviewed at the same time to obtain a better deal. To renew the Rec plan the Unit charge would be 11.89p and the	

	<p>standing charge would be 23.20p per day. The bill is paid by direct debit so there will be a further 6% reduction. After discussion Cllr Hindson proposed the new charges should be accepted, seconded by Cllr Burgon, carried. Solar energy was mentioned but unfortunately the Town Council only own the toilet building and the shed on Dewey's Lane allotments.</p> <p>b) New Gym equipment sign – the clerk to obtain an A4 size sign with the Town Council crest and then wording as follows: - People using this equipment do so at their own risk. The sign to be fixed on the play area fence facing the new equipment. The clerk also asked permission to update the phone numbers on the vehicular gate sign, agreed.</p> <p>c) Entrance sign – Cllr Giles reported this is ongoing.</p> <p>d) Signs for Dog Exercise Area – Cllr Giles reported this is ongoing as he had been building racking for the Christmas lights.</p> <p>e) The clerk produced some litter & dog waste sticky signs to go on existing litter bins and also some sticky Please clean up after your dog signs but unfortunately the wet weather has prevented these being displayed, will keep as an agenda item until they are displayed..</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Giles.</p>
6/16	<p>6. <u>Environment</u> a) Public Rights of Way- the clerk has found information that The Ramblers supports volunteer footpath teams any grant may be used to support new teams to get started provided they have the approval of the Local Authority and then meet the criteria. We will submit an article for the next TC newsletter requesting volunteers. The clerk was also asked to send a letter to MoD regarding broken styles on their land and a copy to the farmer.</p> <p>b) Christmas Lights, are being moved from the Memorial Hall to our container for storage on racking on Wednesday morning. Motifs will be checked for faults before being transported and then the clerk will look to get a quote have them refurbished.</p> <p>c) Clean for the Queen – Wiltshire Council are looking to carry on the legacy from the Olympic torch of getting Communities working together. This year the focus is on the Queen's 90th Birthday. A national campaign is taking place asking communities to litter pick their area, the committee support this suggestion but wish to remit it to full Council for discussion</p>	<p>Committee Clerk</p>
7/16	<p>7. <u>Any Other Business</u> – the Clerk has received a current brochure for RoSPA playground inspections, the committee decision to have ¼ inspections carried out by an independent contractor will continue.</p> <p>The monthly car meet for Charity requesting to use the Rec has not supplied any further information.</p> <p>A suggestion that all entrances onto the Rec should have gates, to stop children running straight out onto the road and maybe prevent bikers driving onto the Rec, remit as agenda item next month to discuss an article in the newsletter.</p>	
	There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8pm	

Date for the next meeting will be Monday 15th February 2016.

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