



MINUTES OF STOW ON THE WOLD TOWN COUNCIL'S PARKS & SQUARE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17th APRIL 2024, AT STOW YOUTH CENTRE, FOSSEWAY, STOW ON THE WOLD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE GL54 1DW AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillors: A Tighe, J Scarsbrook, S Clarke, V Davies, A White, J Davies & S Woods

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr B Eddolls & Mrs C Evans Clerk/RFO of the Council and Cllr V Goddard observing.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

3. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC*

No members of public attended the meeting.

4. MINUTES – TO CONFIRM AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13th MARCH 2024

RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a correct record. **Motion carried.**

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

6. CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13th MARCH 2024

Pooper Scoopers have been ordered.

An Electrician has been provisionally booked for June/July, for fixing Christmas lights.

Work to repair and extend pavilion paving is due to be carried out 17th June.

Work has started on the storage bench in the pavilion.

The annual inspection of the play areas by ROSPA has been completed.

7. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM BOURTON ROAD RUNNERS TO USE THE QEII FIELD ON THE 23RD JUNE FOR A ROUNDERS MATCH, WITH THE HELP OF THE YOUTH CENTRE.

RESOLVED to approve the request. **Motion carried.**

8. TO CONSIDER THE QUOTE FROM BLACHERE ILLUMINATIONS REGARDING THE LAMP POST MOTIFS.

RESOLVED to accept the quotation for 4-year hire of Christmas tree motifs, to be attached to the 2 Victorian lampposts in The Square, at a cost of £3199.68 over a four-year period. **Motion carried.**

9. TO NOTE THE ROAD CLOSURE HAS BEEN REQUESTED FOR FUN FAIR ON THE 20TH-22ND JUNE 2024

Members noted.

10. TO CONSIDER NORWICH MORRIS DANCERS PERFORMING IN THE SQUARE ON SATURDAY 26TH MAY 2024 AS PART OF THEIR TOUR OF THE COTSWOLDS

RESOLVED to approve request. **Motion carried.**

11. **TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM OWLSWICK MORRIS DANCERS TO PERFORM IN THE SQUARE ON 1ST MAY 2024 AS PART OF THEIR MAYDAY TOUR**
RESOLVED to approve request. **Motion carried.**
12. **TO CONSIDER THE CHANGES TO THE MEMORIAL TREE, SHRUB AND BENCH DONATION POLICY FOR KING GEORGES PLAYING FIELD & QUEEN ELIZABETH II FIELD**
RESOLVED to approve request. **Motion carried.**
13. **TO REVIEW THE POLICY DOCUMENT FOR BEE KEEPING ON THE ALLOTMENTS**
A member proposed that Beekeepers be limited to 2, and hives be limited to 4 in total, and not in close proximity to the play area.
RESOLVED that the policy be amended to include the above restrictions. **Motion carried.**
14. **TO CONSIDER THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE NORTH COTSWOLDS ROTARY CLUB REGARDING**
A) **THE PLACEMENT OF A COMMEMORATIVE BENCH WITHIN THE TOWN TO COMMEMORATE THEIR 60TH ANNIVERSARY**
RESOLVED that Council would prefer Rotary to consider commemorative picnic tables on the QEII/cricket field. **Motion carried.**
B) **TO ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS, SWITCH ON EVENT, PROVIDING THE CHILDREN WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PICTURES WITH FATHER CHRISTMAS AND RECEIVE A GIFT**
RESOLVED that due to small size of the event, this would not be practical. **Motion carried.**
15. **TO DISCUSS THE BEACON LIGHTING**
Members discussed plans for the beacon lighting to be held on 6th June.
16. **TO NOTE THAT THE COMMUNITY PAYBACK TEAM WILL NOW BE ATTENDING THE TOWN AT THE WEEKENDS INSTEAD OF A TUESDAY**
Members noted.
17. **TO CONSIDER HOW TO PROGRESS THE WORKS REQUIRED TO THE CRICKET PAVILION AND AGREE A BUDGET FOR THE COST OF THE FIRE-RETARDANT PAINT**
RESOLVED that the budget for fire retardant paint including labour be £2,000.00. **Motion carried.**
18. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 12TH JUNE 2024**
19. **MEETING CLOSED 19:44**

SIGNED: _____ **CHAIRMAN** **DATED:** _____