

Lostwithiel Town Council – Land & Parks Committee Meeting

Tuesday 20 September 2011

A Meeting of the Town Council's Land & Parks Committee was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 20 September 2011.

Councillors present

Committee Chairman Councillor Mrs P Jarrett presiding

Councillors C Jewels, V May, Mrs J Parsons, D Parsons, R Peareth, J Pegg

In attendance

Councillor P Sweet

Town Clerk Sandra Harris

No public were in attendance

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor W Nicholls.

LP130/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

LP131/11 MATTERS ARISING

Cars under the railway bridge

It was decided by the Committee that it should be checked with the Corporate Properties Committee if the land has been registered with HM Land Registry. It was further noted by the Committee that the cars concerned have been clamped it was therefore requested that this item is put on next month's Committee agenda in order that the Committee can monitor if the cars have been removed.

Purchase of items already agreed

The Committee instructed that the litter bin and dog bin previously approved should be purchased without further delay. Councillor Parsons advised the Committee that it is possible to apply to the Co-op supermarkets for financial assistance in purchasing litter bins. Councillor Mrs Jarrett advised that she would check how to make an application.

Dog bin observations

Committee members reported that they had monitored the bins in the area and had not found any evidence of overflowing dog bins. It was decided that Committee members would continue to monitor the bins for a further month.

Weed spraying

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett reported that she has spoken to the contractor regarding the weed spraying. The contractor advises that he is waiting for drier weather.

Dog fouling and Littering fixed penalty notice training

A member of the Committee advised that whilst unavailable for the September training date they would like to attend training. The clerk was instructed to check when further training is available.

LP132/11 CEMETERY

Tree update

Councillor Mrs Parsons advised the Committee that Councillor Parsons, Peareth and herself planted a number of the trees along the hedge by Castle Hill.

Llama update

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised the Committee that a bill has been received for flowers damaged at the cemetery. The clerk was instructed to contact the individual concerned to advise that the bill could not be considered in its current format. The clerk was further instructed to check with the

insurance company the insurance claim procedure for damage/loss of flowers and Councillor Mrs Jarrett advised that she would make some enquiries regarding legislation covering the control of animals.

LP133/11 USE OF PARADE FOR SITE STORAGE FOR DUCHY PALACE RENOVATIONS

It was decided by the Committee to defer this agenda item to next month.

LP134/11 ODD JOBS PERSON

After discussion it was decided by the Committee that the Council should draw up a list of approved contractors. A list of works could then be circulated and prices obtained. It was also suggested that the Probation service should be contacted to ascertain if they have individuals with Community Service Orders who may be available to undertake some of the required works. Councillor Pegg agreed to make the enquiry.

LP135/11 KGV WIRE NET AND POST

It was decided that the broken fencing should be removed and prices obtained for replacement.

LP136/11 STRIMMING AROUND COTT ROAD BED

The Committee decided that this should be added to the list of works for an approved contractor

LP137/11 QUAY STREET TREES

The Committee discussed that the trees at the end of the car park need pruning again. It was decided that this should also be added to the list of works for an approved contractor.

LP138/11 BOAT STORAGE ON THE QUAY

After discussion the clerk was instructed to ascertain if the Town Council can introduce a permit system for boat storage on the Quay. Councillor Peareth advised that he would check with the Harbour Commissioner.

LP139/11 COMPOSTING OF LEAVES

Councillor Pegg advised the Committee that the group are currently storing the leaves on his allotment. In the longer term it may be advisable to consider the introduction of a community compost area and it was decided that this should be an agenda item for next month's Committee meeting.

LP140/11 QUOTATION FOR TREE CUTTING BACK ALLOTMENTS

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised that she will be meeting with prospective contractors next week.

LP141/11 QUOTATION FOR GRASS BANK CUTTING A390

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised that the quotation obtained to cut the wall and top of the bank along the A390 was £280. It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that the Committee recommends to full Council the acceptance of this quotation. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP142/11 QUOTATION FOR BANK CUTTING QUAY STREET

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised that the quotation obtained to cut the Quay street bank was £65. It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor Jewels that the Committee recommends to full Council the acceptance of this quotation. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP143/11 QUOTATION FOR CEMETERY BANK IF NEW FENCE ERECTED

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised that the quotation obtained was not as per the agenda item but to erect a stock proof fence along the road. The fence would be of post and wire construction and would cost £100. It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor May that given the

continuing problems with the Llama and the receipt of a bill for flowers earlier in the meeting the Committee recommends to full Council the acceptance of this quotation. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP144/11 QUOTATION FOR EPICORMIC GROWTH

Committee Chairman Mrs Jarrett advised that the quotation obtained to remove the epicormic growth on the four lime trees around the school and clear the site after works had been undertaken was £85. It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor May that the Committee recommends to full Council the acceptance of this quotation. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP145/11 CORRESPONDENCE

None

LP146/11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee was advised that the walkway under the bridge has some damage. After discussion it was decided that due to health and safety concerns the walkway should be closed. It was proposed by Councillor Peareth and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that the Committee recommends that an emergency repair of the walkway at a cost of £228 is undertaken as soon as the contractors work schedule allows. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Picnic benches – next month’s agenda

Car Park camping - refer to Corporate Property Committee

Scout Hut – update on clearing of rubbish outside – next month’s agenda

Coulson Park shelter – refer to Corporate Property Committee

Town Maps & Boards – refer to Corporate Property Committee

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

Chairman

Date