Lostwithiel Town Council Land & Parks Committee Meeting

Tuesday 17 July 2012

A Meeting of the Town Council's Land & Parks Committee was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 17 July 2012 at 7pm.

Councillors present

The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs G Parsons Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs P Jarrett, Honoured Burgess W Nicholls Councillor Mrs Bettin, Councillor D Parsons & Councillor J Pegg.

In attendance

Town Clerk Sandra Harris

Three members of the public were in attendance

LP142/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council was addressed by a member of Lostwithiel Rotary regarding their Charity Fayre Day and by Lostwithiel Football Club regarding the football pitch on King George V playing field.

LP143/12 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Honoured Burgess R Peareth and Councillor V May.

LP144/12 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs P Jarrett declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Agenda item 14 HM Land Registry registrations.

LP145/12 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs G Parsons and seconded by Honoured Burgess Nicholls that Councillor V May is elected Vice-Chairman of the Lands & Parks Committee for the forthcoming year. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP146/12 **GRASS CUTTING CONTRACTS**

Contract 1

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the grass contractor is advised that the timing of the cuts as specified in the contract will be at his discretion over the 12 month period and that the number of cuts should not be exceeded without the prior written consent of the Council. This proposal received the support of the Committee. It was further proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the football pitch in King George V playing field receives an additional 7 cuts during the football season in order that Lostwithiel Football Club can comply with Football Association requirements and that these additional cuts should be undertaken by the existing contractor. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Contract 2

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the grass contractor is advised that the timing of the cuts as specified in the contract will be at his discretion over the 12 month period and that the number of cuts should not be exceeded without the prior written consent of the Council. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Second Island

The clerk confirmed receipt of a copy of the lease agreement and advised that the only restriction on cutting is that vegetation should not be trimmed or cut on the river bank without prior consent in writing. It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the clerk is instructed to authorise a cut of Second Island with the exception of cutting or trimming the vegetation on the river bank as soon as possible. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

The clerk was further instructed to obtain a price for the strimming twice yearly of the King George V river bank.

LP147/12 DOG MESS

The Committee was advised that the grass contractor has advised that the dog mess in Coulson Park is so bad that he has had to instruct his operatives to temporarily discontinue use of strimmers in the Park and picnic area. It was decided that the Mayor would be asked to highlight this issue in both the Lostwithiel & Town Council Newsletters. It was then proposed by The Worshipful the Mayor Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bettin that the clerk is instructed to enrol on the fixed penalty notice training at a cost of approximately £80. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP148/12 COULSON PARK – Play area

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bettin and seconded by Councillor Parsons that Lostwithiel Town Council proceeds with proposed improvements to the Coulson Park play area and considers improvements to the King George V play area at a later date. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

It was further proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs Parsons that Councillor Pegg and Councillor Bettin are delegated responsibility to try to reduce the cost for the preferred play area design to within budget ready for consideration at next month's Land & Parks Committee meeting. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP149/12 COULSON PARK - Shelter

The Worshipful the Mayor Councillor Mrs Parsons advised the Committee that she had met with PCSO Natalie Phillips regarding some designs for a new shelter in Coulson Park. The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs Parsons advised the Committee that she should have details of the prices for each of the designs by the next Land & Parks Meeting. Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg advised that the Committee must ensure that prices for the cost of installation are also obtained. The clerk was instructed to make this an agenda item for the August meeting.

LP150/12 CANOES

The Committee was advised that the Town Council is in the process of registering the land.

LP151/12 CEMETERY REVIEW

The Committee considered a document prepared by Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg. Councillor Pegg advised that the policy document should be the finalised prior to any Cemetery repricing being considered. It was decided that the draft document would be reviewed in detail at next month's meeting.

LP152/12 BARBEQUES

Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs Jarrett offered to clean the barbeques until the end of September and her very kind offer was accepted by the Committee.

LP153/12 ROSPA

The Committee discussed the list of ROSPA recommendations and it was proposed by The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bettin that the clerk is

instructed to obtain a price for the works from the individual who did a presentation at the Cornwall County Playing Fields Association AGM. This proposal received the support of the Committee. The Committee approved the prepared inspection proformas for the individual play areas and it was decided that each Councillor on the Committee would undertake the inspections for one week at a time. Councillor Pegg offered to do the first week and the clerk was instructed to draw up a rota to include all Committee members.

LP154/12 CEMETERY WALKWAYS

It was proposed by Mayor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs Jarrett that the Cemetery grass contractor is asked to spray the paths, the gateway and the chippings on all the kerbed and chipped graves to prevent weed and moss growth. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP155/12 LAND REGISTRY

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bettin that the map accompanying form 6 is amended to show just the Coulson Park boundary. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

It was further proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs Jarrett that the map accompanying form 8 is amended to the field boundaries. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

It was also proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bettin that the map accompanying form 5 is amended to include the War Memorial, the island and the Community Centre area. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Finally it was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that forms 1-4, 7, 9 & 10 are submitted as prepared. This proposal received the support of the Committee

LP156/12 SKATE PARK

It was decided that the Council should consider the completion of this form further after the meeting between Mayor Mrs Parsons and Groundworks adviser Jan Phillips.

LP157/12 LEAF LITTER

It was decided to defer this agenda item to next month's meeting.

LP158/12 STREET FURNITURE

It was decided to defer this agenda item to next month's meeting.

LP159/12 KING GEORGE V TODDLER PLAY AREA

It was decided to defer this agenda item to next month's meeting.

LP160/12 COUNCIL FLORAL DISPLAYS

It was decided to defer this agenda item to next month's meeting.

LP161/12 DIAMOND JUBILEE TREE PLANTING

It was decided to defer this agenda item to next month's meeting.

LP162/12 CORRESPONDENCE

An email from Lostwithiel Rotary was considered by the Committee and it was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Mayor Mrs Parsons that permission is granted for use of the use of King George V playing field on Sunday 29 July for the Cornish Wrestling Championships and the Charity Fayre Day. It was further proposed by the same Councillors that members of the Land & Parks Committee should meet with members of Lostwithiel Rotary on Thursday 26 July at 6.30pm at the field in order that a final decision regarding vehicle access to the field on 29 July can be made. Both these proposals received the support of the Committee.

LP163/12	ITEMS	FOR NEXT	AGENDA
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The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Chairman

Date