

Lostwithiel Town Council Land & Parks Committee Meeting

Tuesday 30 October 2012

A Meeting of the Town Council's Land & Parks Committee was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 30 October 2012 at 7pm.

Councillors present

The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs G Parsons

Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs P Jarrett,

Land & Parks Committee Chairman Councillor J Pegg

Honoured Burgess W Nicholls,

Councillor V May & Councillor D Parsons.

In attendance

Town Clerk Sandra Harris

No members of the public were in attendance

LP398/12 CORNWALL COUNCIL ENVIROCRIME OFFICER

The Council received a presentation from Mr P Browning from Cornwall Council. Mr Browning explained that it would be possible for Lostwithiel to introduce its own Dog Control Order to ban dogs or restrict dog access to dogs on leads only. Cornwall Council's website provides a step by step guide on how to apply for an order. The net cost of a Dog Control Order is in the region of £1,500. Mr Browning will arrange to set up a 'target day' for Lostwithiel and arrange for the Town Council to have more signage. In the interim Mr Browning recommends that the Town Council keeps a log of all dog mess complaints and consults the local community regarding restricting or banning dogs from some town locations.

LP399/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

LP400/12 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Honoured Burgess Peareth and Councillor Mrs Bettin.

LP401/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY & NON-PECUNIARY

None

LP402/12 MINUTES

The minutes of the Land & Parks Committee Meeting of 4 October 2012 were approved and duly signed by the Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg. Proposed The Worshipful the Mayor of Lostwithiel Councillor Mrs G Parsons seconded Honoured Burgess Nicholls. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP403/12 PLAY AREA REPAIRS

The Committee discussed the quotation received for various repairs to the play area equipment. It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor May that the clerk authorised to instruct the following repairs:-

Toddler Play area

De-scale and paint swing top bar.

King George V Play area –

Senior swing supply & fit 4 x shackles, 4 x bushes, 2 flat seats, 2 shims & paint swing frame.

Toddler swing – remove excess chain and paint swing frame

Large multi play – re set loose posts in new concrete.
This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP404/12 KING GEORGE V SLIDE

Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg advised the Committee that during the visit on 16 October he was advised that it would not be cost effective to repair the slide in King George V. It was therefore proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Mayor Mrs Parsons that the Committee arranges for the slide to be removed from site and that the clerk is instructed to obtain a price for removal from the same contractor instructed to remove the see saw. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP405/12 KING GEORGE V PLAY AREA – RE-DEVELOPMENT PLANS

The Council considered the prices obtained for a new see saw, slide and a new basket swing. After a lengthy discussion it was proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Mayor Mrs Parsons that the Land & Parks Committee recommends to full Council the closure of the Coulson Park play area and the concentration of all proposed play area investment into King George V play area. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

It was then proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Honoured Burgess Nicholls that as an interim measure the Council purchases a basket swing to ‘fill the gap left in the King George V play area’. The intention being that the basket swing will then be incorporated into the King George V re-development. This proposal also received the support of the Committee.

LP406/12 FOOTBALL FIELD - MOLES

It was proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Mayor Mrs Parsons that the usual contractor is instructed to remove the moles from all of the King George Playing field area. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP407/12 LOSTWITHIEL FOOTBALL CLUBS

It was proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that the clerk is instructed to write to both football clubs to advise that the Town Council will issue invoices based on the monthly fixtures lists. The football clubs should also ensure that they liaise with the Town Council’s football club representative Councillor Robson regarding the condition of the pitch prior to playing. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP408/12 SIGN PURCHASES

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the clerk is instructed to obtain 10 No Dogs signs and the three signs recommended by RoSPA. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP409/12 COULSON PARK DOG BINS

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor May that the rusty bin on the left hand side as pedestrians enter Coulson Park should be removed and replaced by a large green bin. The good red bin located with the rusty bin should be removed from that location and relocated within the Park. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP410/12 LITTER BINS & DOG BINS

After discussion the clerk was instructed to check the availability and prices of new metal inners for the litter bins. It was decided to defer this agenda item to the next meeting when this information will be available.

LP411/12 TOWN BENCHES

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor May that the clerk is instructed to ask three contractors from the approved list to price for the following works which the Council would like undertaken next spring:-

Town benches 14 to be teak oiled, 11 to be varnished Picnic benches 11 to be teak oiled
2 notice boards and the shed at the allotments to be teak oiled.

This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP412/12 OVERGROWN BUSHES – BEACH & QUAY CAR PARK

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Honoured Burgess Nicholls that Councillors May & Parsons check both bushes.

LP413/12 BEACH AREA PICNIC BENCH

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor May that the Committee asks Councillor Abbiss & Honoured Burgess Peareth to reposition the bench. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP414/12 BULB PLANTING

It was proposed by Mayor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that the Council authorises the purchase of bulbs up to a maximum value of £30. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP415/12 CEMETERY – TOP SOIL

The clerk was instructed to defer this agenda item to next spring.

LP416/12 COUNCIL FLORAL DISPLAYS

The Committee discussed the costings prepared by Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg. It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that the Committee advises the Finance, Staffing & General Purposes Committee that it would like to employ a gardener from the start of the new financial year. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP417/12 TRANSITION LOSTWITHIEL – NATIVE TREES

It was proposed by Mayor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the clerk is instructed to thank Transition Lostwithiel for their offer but the Council does not wish to accept the offer of free native trees at this time. This proposal received the support of the Committee. Councillor Pegg requested that it be recorded that he voted against this proposal.

LP418/12 BUDGET 2013/14

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor May that this Committee recommends to full Council a budget of £68154 for the forthcoming financial year. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

LP419/12 CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee considered a letter of complaint from a local resident regarding Second Island and Coulson Park. It was agreed that Committee Chairman Councillor Pegg and Mayor Mrs Parsons will meet with the resident as requested and report back to the next Committee meeting.

The Committee was advised that there is a meeting with a further play company on 8 November at 11.30am.

The Committee was also advised that Lostwithiel Rotary have accepted the Council's invitation to make a presentation to the December full Council meeting regarding King George V drainage.

The clerk was instructed to decline a play company's offer to attend the November Land & Parks meeting.

LP420/12 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Chairman

Date