

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL
LEISURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2014 AT 8.00 P.M.
AT PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES

PRESENT: Ms Kift, Mr Landreth, Mr Waterhouse and Mr Woolley.

The Clerk was in attendance.

14/68 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Chambers, Mrs Clark, Mr Hart, Mrs Holmwood, Mr Ridley and Mr Wood.

14/69 **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

The following disclosures had previously been made by Members.

All Members of the Parish Council had an interest in respect of the sole trusteeship of Waldron Recreation Ground Charity.

14/70 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Leisure, Environment and Recreation Committee meeting held on 4 June 2014, having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

14/71 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were none.

14/72 **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2014**

The Committee noted and approved the report.

14/73 **EMERGENCY/ADDITIONAL WORKS TO 31 OCTOBER 2014**

It was **RESOLVED** to ratify and approve emergency works in respect of works at Jubilee Park, Darch's Wood and Waldron Recreation Ground totalling £1,313.40.

14/74 **REPORTS ON RECREATION GROUNDS**

14/74a **Lucas Hall and House, Waldron**

There was nothing to report.

14/74b **Punnetts Town Recreation Ground and Village Hall**

The Committee noted a request to place a public defibrillator outside the Village Hall.

14/74c **Tower Recreation Ground**

The Committee considered a request to use the pitches by Heathfield Community College. Permission was granted subject to confirmation from the Council's contractor that weather conditions would allow play on the pitches without damage being caused.

14/74d **Cade Street Memorial Ground**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve urgent works to the post holding the Beacon at a cost of approximately £400.00. It was noted that the damage to the post had been caused by a lightning strike.

14/74e **Broad Oak Recreation Ground**

There were no matters to report.

14/74f **Cross in Hand Village Hall**

There were no matters to report.

14/74g **Hardy Roberts Playing Fields**

The Council's contractor had been asked to ensure that the play equipment was painted and he had confirmed that this would be carried out when weather conditions allowed.

14/74h **Leeves Common Play Area**

It was noted that the additional fencing to the MUGA had now been installed and it was hoped that this would alleviate nuisance and damage to the neighbouring property.

14/74i **Sheepsetting Lane Recreation Ground**

There were no matters to report.

14/74j **Heathfield Community Centre**

(a) It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the purchase of a new burco water boiler at a total cost of £339.00 including VAT

(b) The Committee noted that NHS Property Services would be considering a departmental business case for the erection of a gate/barrier to the car park

14/74k **Waldron Recreation Ground**

There were no matters to report.

14/741 **Jubilee Park**

There were no matters to report.

14/74m **Skatepark**

The Committee noted that Heathfield Street Pastors had now provided further information about a request from some of the users that additional equipment and other improvements be provided. It was agreed that if possible, a meeting be arranged with the young people to discuss the matter further, with Kings Church or the Youth Centre being suggested venues.

14/75 **TREES ON THE GREEN LANE ESTATE**

There were no matters to report.

14/76 **DARCH'S WOOD**

It was reported that road planings had been laid on the main paths to improve their condition and useability.

14/77 **HIGH STREET PLANTING**

A quotation for the planting scheme for 2015 in the sum of £685.44 for initial planting and £155.43 for each maintenance visit was considered by the Committee. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the quotation from Europlants Limited for the summer display in the High Street and Hailsham Road at a cost of £685.44 plus approximately £1865.16 for maintenance visits.

14/78 **BUDGET FOR LER COMMITTEE FOR 2015/16 FINANCIAL YEAR**

A draft budget was circulated to Members for consideration. It was **RESOLVED** that a budget of £117,850 be agreed, minus anticipated income of £20,000, making a precept requirement of £97,850, made up as follows:-

Budget Heading	2015/2016	Variation over 2014/2015
Recreation Grounds	14850.00	-5150.00
Heathfield Community Centre	27250.00	+5250.00
Seats, Litter Bins, Noticeboards	4000.00	+1500.00
Green Lane/Public Open spaces/A267 land	2500.00	-1500.00
High Street trees and Flower baskets	3750.00	+250
Legal and Other Costs	0	0
Bus shelters	1500.00	0
Grounds Maintenance contract	64000.00	+2500.00
Sub-totals	117850	+100
Minus anticipated income	20000	
Precept requirement	97850	

14/79 **HIGH STREET FURNITURE**

There were no matters to report

14/80 **SEATS/LITTER BINS/BUS SHELTERS**

There were no matters to report.

14/81 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

There were none.

14/82 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998 SECTION 17**

There were considered to be no implications arising from matters discussed at the meeting.

14/83 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

(a) Effects (if any) arising from items on the Agenda

Urgent action taken to make safe the beacon at Cade Street
Action taken to make the water boiler safe at Heathfield Community Centre

(b) Risk list

The Committee's risk list was duly reviewed and it was **RESOLVED** that it be adopted for the forthcoming year.

14/84 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday 20 January 2015 in the Parish Council Meeting Rooms starting at 8.00 pm or upon the rising of the Burial Grounds and Amenities Committee.

The meeting closed at 9.16 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: