

EARL SHILTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the

LEISURE, PARKS, CEMETERY & OPEN SPACES (LPCOS) COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at 7 p.m. on

Tuesday 25 April 2023

At the Public Library, Wood Street, Earl Shilton, LE9 7NE.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors: Cllr A Bates (Deputy Chairman), Cllr A Burton, Cllr D Almey and Cllr G Granger.

In attendance: Deputy Clerk: Mrs C Houghton.
Members of the public: Nil.

22/102 Chairman's welcome and opening remarks.

The Deputy Chairman welcomed all Members to the meeting.

Noted and received

22/103 To receive apologies for member absence.

Resolved: to accept the apologies from Cllr I Faver as tabled and recorded.

22/104 Declarations of interests. To receive disclosures of member's interests, i.e. the existence and the nature of those interests in respect of items on this agenda.

Cllr A Burton – agenda item 22/108a, due to being a member of ESiB.

Resolved: to allow Cllr A Burton to remain in the room whilst this item is discussed but will not be involved in any discussion (unless asked by Members to provide factual information).

22/105 To receive and approve as a true record the minutes of the LPCOS Cttee meeting held on 07 March 2023.

Resolved: that the minutes of the LPCOS Cttee meeting of the 07 March 2023, as tabled, be accepted as a true record of proceedings.

22/106 Public Participation:

a. Public speaking protocol – requests received by the protocol deadline to be submitted to the Clerk with details of the agenda item they wish to address/relate. **Nil.**

b. That the meeting may be adjourned to allow members of the public to make representation about items that are not on the agenda (*Electors' Time*). **N/A**



22/107 To receive a written monthly report from the Deputy Clerk.

Members received in their agenda pack a detailed report from the Deputy Clerk listing income received, unscheduled outgoing expense, works that have been completed since the last meeting, scheduled works for the month ahead and general updates such as;

- i) the new cemetery mapping system is in the process of being produced.
- ii) reports of motorbikes on Weaver Springs Park have been reported to the local police beat team.

Noted and received.

22/108 Correspondence received:

- a. Earl Shilton in Bloom update.

The Chairman of ESiB has expressed that due to lack of volunteers the border area located at QEII Hall Field Park, which ESiB have maintained for several years, reluctantly will have to be handed back to ESTC to maintain, as it is just too much for ESiB to keep on top of. The Chairman also advised that the colour scheme for this summer planting will be purple and gold in recognition of The King's Coronation.

Noted and received.

- b. Late correspondence received since this agenda was set.

None.

Confidential Items – in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public will be excluded from the agenda items below by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed and will be requested to withdraw. Members will decide as necessary to resolve to go into Private Session. So resolved.

22/109 To provide Members with an update and quotes for works required which have been advised in the recent ROSPA inspections on ESTC owned play equipment.

The Deputy Clerk gave Members a full print out to clearly show what jobs are required following the ROSPA inspections. This also included quotes for replacement equipment/maintenance on play equipment.

Resolved: Members agreed to the following:

i) to have a maintenance check carried out on the zipwire located at Wood Street Park at a cost of £150.00+vat by ~~Redacted~~ who are the original manufacturer.

ii) to not replace the play clock located at Weaver Springs Park, due to the ESTC SUE plans, which will result in the play area being demolished.

iii) to recommend to Full Council to replace the nest swing seat located at QEII Hall Field Park at a cost of £2272.73 +vat (taken from the LPCOS reserves budget) from the original manufacturer ~~Redacted~~



Redacted. *The Deputy Clerk is going to confirm the cost of delivery as this seemed to be high.*

iv) to condemn the helicopter and junior swings located at Weaver Springs Park due to being unsafe, with both being beyond economical repair. The Deputy Clerk will liaise with the Groundcare team to discuss this.

v) only one quote gained so far for resurfacing of 4 areas of the bmx pump track at Wood Street Park, so this will carry over to the next meeting for consideration.

22/110

To consider the request to have salt bins installed at specific locations within the Town.

ESTC have received a request to have 4 salt bins installed at various locations around the Town. The cost to purchase, install and have the bins filled up by Leicestershire County Council each year (for the life of the bin) would be a one off payment of £1300.00+vat.

Resolved: Members agreed for the Deputy Clerk to look into possible funding from LCC Highways to contribute to the cost and then to refer this to a future meeting of this Cttee. The suggested areas will also be considered in more detail before any decision is made.

The meeting closed at 7.38 pm with the Deputy Chairman thanking members for their attendance and contributions, with special thanks to those members who are not standing for election again for all their support for the Council over the past term.



