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Deputy Clerk

EARL SHILTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the

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

Held at 7 p.m. on
Tuesday 05 October 2021
At Independent Chapel, 89 High St.
Earl Shilton, LE9 7LR

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors: Cllr I Faver, Chairman, Cllr A Bates, Cllr B
Granger, and Cllr G Granger.

In attendance: Deputy Clerk: Mrs C Houghton.

Members of the public: Nil.

- 21/038 Chairman's welcome and opening remarks.

The Chairman opened the meeting welcoming all Cllrs.
Noted and received.
- 21/039 To receive apologies for member absence.
**Resolved: to accept the apologies from Cllr D Almey, Cllr A
Burton, and Cllr R Hills, as tabled and recorded.**
- 21/040 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.
None.
- 21/041 To receive and approve as a true record the minutes of the
LPCOS Cttee meeting held on 07 September 2021.
**Resolved: that the minutes of the LPCOS Cttee meeting
of the 07 September 2021, as tabled, be accepted as a
true record of proceedings.**
- 21/042 Public Participation:
- 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. **None.**
 - 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.**



21/043 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.

Noted and received.

21/044 Correspondence received:

- a. A request from a local business owner to review the location of the ESTC shipping container located within the HBBC owned car park off Wood Street.

A local business owner has contacted ESTC and asked the location of the shipping container to be reconsidered, due to concerns they have on how appropriate it is being in the HBBC owned car park. This matter will be discussed at the ESTC Full Council meeting in October to be discussed by all Members.

Noted and received.

- b. John Barker Funfair have requested to hire Wood Street Park in October 2021.

The dates put forward by John Barker Funfair are 18 – 26 Oct 2021, with the operating days being from 21 – 25 Oct 2021.

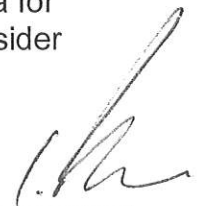
Resolved: Members agreed to allow the funfair to take place on the specified dates at Wood Street Park, with the hire charge being ~~Redacted~~ per operating day.

- c. *Late correspondence* received since this agenda was set.

- i) The wet pour surface in the toddler play area needs replacing at QEII Hall Field Park.

The wet pour surface area that surrounds the roundabout play equipment, located within the toddler play area at QEII Hall Field Park, Earl Shilton, has begun to lift. It is not repairable and requires a new surface. The Deputy Clerk is currently awaiting quotes to supply and install a new surface. This will be on the agenda for the next LPCOS Cttee meeting in November to consider quotes for the repair.

Noted and received.



- ii) To discuss the short extension of one of the ESTC Groundcare Operatives contract.

The Deputy Clerk provided Members with a schedule of works that the ESTC Groundcare team have planned for the 2021/22 winter months. To complete the required jobs to a high standard and to give the team the opportunity to get on top of the jobs before next year's works commence, the Deputy Clerk recommended to Members to extend the employment of the current part time Groundcare Operative over the forthcoming winter months, allowing the team to work effectively and efficiently to complete all works.

Resolved: a resolution was made by Members of the LPCOS Cttee recommend to ESTC Full Council that the current part time Groundcare Operatives employment should be extended to cover the 2021/22 winter months on a rolling contract.

- 21/045** To consider having a defibrillator and key coded safe installed at Weaver Springs Park Pavilion for use by the football teams that hire the facilities. The funding for this has been secured by one of the football teams.

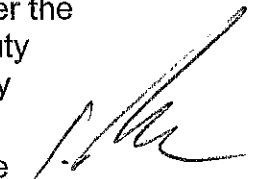
Funding for the defibrillator and safe has been secured by one of the football teams that hires the facilities at Weaver Springs Park. The request is for ESTC to have them professionally installed within the pavilion. Both teams that hire the pitches have full access to the pavilion, so if needed the defibrillator can be accessed instantly on training and match days.

Resolved: Members agreed for the defibrillator and safe to be located within the pavilion, although, it will be the footballs teams responsibility to ensure the upkeep of them. The Deputy Clerk will liaise with the football teams.

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 resolve to go into Private Session. So Resolved.

- 21/046** To discuss and consider quotes to repair/replace damaged play equipment at Maple Way Park.

The Deputy Clerk provided Members with a quote to replace just the damaged part and then a quote to replace the whole play unit, as the unit is showing signs of wear from over the years. A further consideration put forward by the Deputy Clerk was for ESTC to apply for a Parish & Community



Initiative Fund Grant, which if successful could contribute up to 50% of the cost of a brand new play unit, with ESTC then match funding the project and paying the remaining cost from the earmarked reserves budget.

Resolved: Members agreed for the replacement part to be ordered at a cost of £330.80+VAT from ~~Redacted~~. The Chairman will advise Full Council in the next meeting that the LPCOS Cttee have agreed for the Deputy Clerk to apply for the PCIF grant to hopefully match fund a brand new play unit, as the funds for this would be taken from the earmarked reserves budget.

21/047 To discuss and consider quotes for possible tree works on ESTC trees located at QEII Hall Field Park.

The Deputy Clerk provided quotes for the recommended tree works to re-pollard the 28 lime trees on the northern boundary of the park.

Resolved: Members agreed for ~~Redacted~~ to carry out the works at a cost of £3270.00 + vat. The LPCOS budget for tree maintenance will cover the cost. The Deputy Clerk will arrange this.

21/048 To discuss and consider quotes for possible tree works on ESTC trees located at Mill Lane Cemetery.

The Deputy Clerk provided quotes for the recommended tree works on 2 trees that border the cemetery on the eastern boundary.

Resolved: Members agreed for ~~Redacted~~ to carry out the works at a cost of £550.00 + vat. The LPCOS budget for tree maintenance will cover the cost. The Deputy Clerk will arrange this.

21/049 To update Members on a recent planning application submitted by Earl Shilton Town Cricket Club for security fencing to be installed to the entire ground boundary.

Members were given details of the recent planning application. The application is for a 4 metre high security fence to be installed to the entire ground boundary, meaning that the Wood Street Park boundary fence, located behind the MUGA and teen area, would be included in this development.

Noted & Received with no material consultee comments.

21/050 To consider the quote to replace damaged play equipment at Wood Street Park.



Members were provided with the quote to replace the rocking horse main structure due to it being vandalised. The quote is from the original supplier, as it must fit the spring mechanism already in place.

Resolved: Members agreed for the Deputy Clerk to order the replacement part from ~~Redacted~~ at a cost of £413.06 + vat.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm with the Chairman thanking members for their attendance and contributions.



