

SWAFFHAM TOWN COUNCIL RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Recreation Ground Committee Meeting on Wednesday 31st January 2007 at 7.00p.m. in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Swaffham.

Present:- Cllr J. Stockdale (in the Chair)

Cllr A. Greaves, Cllr S. Lister, Cllr C Baker, Mrs. S. Palmer, Mrs S Polaine-Leonard, Mr. D. Tallon, Amy Head & Zoe Reeve

Lead Officer: Mrs. M. Meyrick (Deputy Town Clerk)
Support Officer: Mrs R Noble (Assistant Town Clerk)

1. To receive apologies for absence.

1.1. Vicky Mason

2. To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

2.1. None received.

3. To agree the minutes of 6th September 2006.

3.1. The minutes were agreed by the Committee as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. To receive and discuss information regarding £15,000 grant from Icen Partnership.

4.1. The Deputy Town Clerk informed the Committee that some photographs of the existing fenced play area had been taken of the equipment already there. She asked the committee what equipment they would want to buy with the £15,000 grant. A quote has been received from Wickstead for 2 items of equipment, safety grass and installation. Following a discussion Cllr Lister proposed and Cllr Greaves seconded that delegated authority is given to the Deputy Town Clerk to obtain 3 quotes and accept the best for the Recreation Ground.

It was unanimously agreed that delegated authority is given to the Deputy Town Clerk to obtain 3 quotes and accept the best for the Recreation Ground.

The Committee expressed they are grateful for the grant money.

5. To receive and discuss information regarding a recycling proposal

5.1. It was stated that last year the committee agreed to send a proposal to Breckland for recycling credits. The Deputy Town Clerk informed the committee this has been sent to Breckland and Ray Johnson who is a Breckland officer will be speaking to Sarah Bruton on our behalf and will get back to her week commencing 12th February.

5.2. Following a discussion relating to recycling, it was stated that recycling cardboard and cans etc. is kept to the Recreation Ground Committee to support the Recreation Ground.

It was agreed that the Deputy Town Clerk continues with the recycling proposal.

6. To receive & discuss information relating to Breckland Council's Big Lottery bid.

6.1. The Deputy Town Clerk informed the committee that the Big Lottery has launched a new funding programme called 'The Children's Play Programme'. Applications for funding has to be made through Breckland Council. There is a presentation workshop on Wednesday 21st February in the Community Centre from 5pm – 7.30pm. The Deputy Town

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Clerk requested names are given for anyone wishing to attend the presentation. Cllrs. C Baker, S Lister, A Greaves, J Stockdale and The Deputy Town Clerk and Amy Head all stated they would attend the presentation.

6.2. Cllr. A Greaves informed the committee she would look at timescales for the Big Lottery and what they will fund.

7. To discuss any other items for information only.

7.1. The Deputy Town Clerk informed the committee that the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk had attended a meeting with Anthony Wright from Breckland Council with a proposal for the toilet block on the Recreation Ground. Breckland Council have already agreed to pay to demolish the existing toilet block, she stated they had asked if Breckland would pay to remove the asbestos, remove all the insides of the building, supply the Town Council with plans for a revamped toilet block instead of paying to demolish it and then hand the building over to the Town Council. Ray Johnson will be speaking to Anthony Wright on our behalf and will be getting back to us week commencing 12th February.

7.2. It was reported that when Oakleigh Drive was built there was a section 106 agreement put in place for an amount of money to be put aside for recreation. Ray Johnson will be reporting back to us week commencing 19th February with information regarding this, his report will be brought to the next meeting.

7.3. It was suggested that checks are carried out on other developments in Swaffham relating to section 106 agreement for recreation.

7.4. The Deputy Town Clerk reported that CRB Check forms have been received for all Recreation Committee members to fill in which are being funded by Icenl.

Meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

Chairman.....