

WIMBORNE MINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the **RECREATION & LEISURE COMMITTEE** held on **TUESDAY 15 JANUARY 2008 at 6.30 pm** in the Committee Room, Town Hall, West Borough, Wimborne Minster.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr L G Harvey (Chairman)
Cllr Ms A McCarthy (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr J Burden
Cllr A J Hampton
Cllr Mrs D J March
Cllr A K Oliver – Ex-Officio - Chairman of the Council
Cllr R D Cook – Ex-Officio – Vice-Chairman of the Council

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Cllr R W Booth
Cllr Mrs B S J Feltham

162 **RECREATION GROUNDS INSPECTION REPORT**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member at the meeting and a copy of which appears as Appendix A to these Minutes.

The Chairman referred to the problem of disposing of shrub cuttings and other green waste which at present was deposited on land at Wimborne Cemetery. This facility was to be lost as a result of a new planned access road crossing the site and what green waste there was would have to be removed forthwith. The Town Clerk would talk to the Head Groundsman about the options and would arrange for the waste at the Cemetery to be removed.

With regard to the dead grass under the trees in the area adjacent to Culverhayes Road, it was suggested that this could be planted out with wild woodland plants such as bluebells, snowdrops and primroses. Again, the Town Clerk would investigate the options with the Head Groundsman and report back.

163 **PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION REPORT**

The Town Clerk submitted the half yearly report by the Town Council's insurers on the Council's play equipment, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix B to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Town Clerk added that any defects which were deemed to pose a risk would be rectified at the earliest opportunity.

164 **EMPTYING OF DOG BINS (Min 225 – 01.03.05)**

The Town Clerk submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix C to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Committee was asked whether it wished to change its contractor for emptying dog bins from Servicewise to the new East Dorset District Council service to save costs.

RESOLVED that, subject to giving Servicewise the requisite notice to terminate the contract, the District Council's offer to undertake the service for the Town Council at £2.90 per bin per week for 2008/2009 be accepted.

165 **LEIGH PARK PLAYING FIELDS – ALIVE IN THE PARK**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter dated 5 December 2007 from the Chairman of the Leigh Park Initiative, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix D to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Chairman, Rev'd Jones, sought permission to hold its Alive in the Park event from 17 July to 20 July 2008 at Leigh Park Playing Fields.

RESOLVED that, subject to the usual conditions relating to insurance, compliance with the Head Groundsman's requirements and weather conditions, the request be approved.

The meeting closed at 7.10 pm

SignedDate.....
Town Mayor and Chairman of the Council