

**WIMBORNE MINSTER TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **RECREATION & LEISURE COMMITTEE** held on **TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2015 at 6.30 pm** in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Wimborne Minster.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Cllr L G Harvey (Chairman)**  
**Cllr R P Nunn (Vice-Chairman)**  
**Cllr J Burden**  
**Cllr Mrs D J March**  
**Cllr Mrs A E Roberts**  
**Cllr T F Wheeler**  
**Cllr Mrs S A Cook - Ex-Officio - Vice-Chairman of the Council**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT AND APOLOGIES GIVEN**

**Cllr Mrs S A Bell**  
**Cllr Mrs P A Hymers**  
**Cllr S K Bartlett - Ex Officio - Chairman of the Council**

**143** **RECREATION GROUNDS INSPECTION REPORT**

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

Cllr Burden advised the Committee that he had contacted the Chairman of the Wimborne Rugby Club to ask if the scrummage machine could be moved as it was being used to climb onto the roofs of the storage sheds in the grounds of the Community Centre.

**144** **REDCOTTS RECREATION GROUND – WILD FLOWER BEDS**

The Committee considered areas suitable for wild flower beds within Redcotts Recreation Ground. A plan for Leigh Park Playing Field would be submitted for consideration at the next meeting.

**RESOLVED that the areas shown on the plan attached as Appendix B to these Minutes be planted with wild flower seeds for 2016 on an experimental basis.**

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**REDCOTTS RECREATION GROUND – BIRD BOXES**

The Town Clerk submitted the recommendations from the River Allen Bat Roost regarding the installation of bird boxes in the Recreation Ground, 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 had asked the Bat Roost to suggest whether, following the successful installation of bat boxes, bird boxes would be beneficial in the Recreation Ground also.

The Committee thanked Cllr Burden for his generous donation of 3 robin boxes which would be passed to the Bat Roost for installation.

Cllr Mrs Roberts asked if tit boxes could be installed in the maple trees along the Redcotts Road side of the Recreation Ground.

The Town Clerk replied that he would check with the Bat Roost organisers but if boxes were not planned to be installed in those trees and assuming they were suitable, additional tit boxes would need to be acquired.

**RESOLVED**

- a) **that the recommendations of the River Allen Bat Roost be accepted with thanks and a donation of £50 be made towards the installation costs;**
- b) **that additional boxes be acquired for installation in the maple trees along the Redcotts Road side of the recreation ground, if appropriate.**

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**DOG WARDEN PATROL REPORT**

The Town Clerk submitted for information the Dog Warden Patrol Report for October 2015, 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 Town Clerk would check previous reports to determine whether the Dog Warden would normally patrol during dawn and dusk on occasion and if not to ask that he do so.

147            **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.**

148            **REDCOTTS RECREATION GROUND – POLLARDING OF LIME TREES**

See Confidential Minute 148/362.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm

Signed .....Date.....  
Town Mayor and Chairman of the Council