



## Wimborne Minster Town Council

Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 1LT

**Minutes of the Recreation and Leisure Committee** meeting held on **Tuesday 2 August at 7pm** in the Committee Room at Wimborne Minster Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1LT.

**Present:** Councillors: S Bartlett (Chairman), D Burt, C Chedgy, D March (Deputy Town Mayor), L Hinks, B Richmond, and D Roberts (Vice Chairman).  
Members of the public: one.  
Officers: L Harrison (Town Clerk).

RLC/2022/001	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Apologies were received from Cllrs Butter (medical). Cllr March proposed to accept the apologies, seconded by Cllr Roberts and agreed by all. <b>Resolved: apologies for absence were accepted.</b>
RLC/2022/002	<b>Declarations of interest and dispensations</b> Cllr Bartlett declared a non-pecuniary interest (Dorset Council (DC) Councillor).
RLC/2022/003	<b>Public Participation</b> None.
RLC/2022/004	<b>Minutes of the Committee 25 May 2022</b> Cllr Burt proposed that the minutes of the Recreation and Leisure Committee meeting held on the 25 May 2022 be agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Richmond and agreed by all. <b>Resolved: the minutes of the Recreation and Leisure Committee meeting held on the 25 May 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and were signed by the Chairman.</b>
RLC/2022/005	<b>Matters reported from the Town Clerk in relation to actions from previous meetings.</b> The request from the police regarding the vandalism at Redcotts and associated report from the Town Clerk were noted. Cllr Chedgy proposed that a sign be placed in the toilets at Redcotts informing users that in the near future the toilets were going to be locked in the evenings, seconded by Cllr Hinks and agreed by all. <b>Resolved: a sign was to be placed in the toilets at Redcotts informing users that in the near future the toilets were going to be locked in the evenings.</b> Cllr Chedgy proposed to instruct the Town Clerk in consultation with the Head Groundsman to obtain quotes to improve the physical security of the external toilet doors and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr

<p><b>RLC/2022/006</b></p>	<p>March and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Head Groundsman, was authorised to obtain quotes to improve the physical security of the external toilet doors and report back to the Committee.</b></p> <p>With regards to the request from the police to reduce or cut down the tree at the location next to the camera, this was discussed and it was agreed that neither reducing or cutting down the tree was an acceptable option to the Committee. The Chairman proposed that, in consultation with the police, Town Clerk, Vice Chairman and the Head Groundsman, that the current CCTV sightings were reviewed and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Richmond, six in favour and one abstention.</p>
<p><b>RLC/2022/007</b></p>	<p><b>Resolved: the Chairman, in consultation with the police and the Town Clerk and the Vice Chairman and the Head Groundsman, that the current CCTV sightings were reviewed and reported back to the Committee.</b></p> <p>The repeated criminal damage to the and dryers in the toilets at Redcotts were discussed. Cllr Chedgy proposed to instruct the Town Clerk, in conjunction with the Head Groundsman, to obtain quotes and options to replace the hand dryers , seconded by Cllr Roberts and agreed by all.</p>
<p><b>RLC/2022/008</b></p>	<p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk, in conjunction with the Head Groundsman, was instructed to obtain quotes and options to replace the hand dryers at the toilets in Redcotts.</b></p> <p>The graffiti on the skatepark surface was discussed. Cllr Hinks proposed that the graffiti was removed at a cost of £500, seconded by Cllr Bartlett, four in favour and two abstentions.</p>
<p><b>RLC/2022/009</b></p>	<p><b>Resolved: the graffiti on the skate park surface was to be removed at a cost of £500.</b></p>
<p><b>RLC/2022/010</b></p>	<p><b>Councillor inspection of Council land</b></p> <p>The report from Cllr Roberts in relation to her recent inspection of Redcotts, Leigh Park and the allotments was noted and it was agreed that the report would be passed to the Head Groundsman via the Town Clerk for dissemination.</p> <p>Cllr Richmond proposed the use of the Town council’s website and social media pages to encourage members for the public with dogs to cooperate and clear up dog mess at Redcotts Recreation Ground and remind members of the public the Town Council argued successfully with Dorset Council to keep this space lead free, seconded by Cllr Chedgy and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: use of the Town council’s website and social media pages to encourage members for the public with dogs to cooperate and clear up dog mess at Redcotts Recreation Ground and remind members of the public the Town Council argued successfully with Dorset Council to keep this space lead free.</b></p> <p>Cllr Chedgy proposed to authorise the Town Clerk to obtain further quotes for repairing the manhole covers and roundhouse floor, seconded by Cllr</p>

	<p>Roberts and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk was authorised to obtain further quotes for repairing the manhole covers and roundhouse floor.</b></p>
RLC/2022/011	<p><b>Play area inspection reports</b></p> <p>The play area reports for Redcotts and Leigh Park were noted. Cllr Hinks proposed the Town Clerk was authorised to progress the priority issues identified under the low and moderate risk points in the reports, seconded by Cllr Chedgy and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk was authorised to progress the priority issues identified under the low and moderate risk points in the Redcotts and Leigh Park play area inspection reports.</b></p>
RLC/2022/012	<p><b>Health and safety inspection Redcotts Recreation Ground and Leigh Park</b></p> <p>The request from the Town Clerk to consider a health and safety inspection of Redcotts and Leigh Park sites was discussed. Cllr Chedgy proposed the Town Clerk was authorised to negotiate the cost for the health and safety visit for the sites with the contractor and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Hinks and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Proposed: the Town Clerk was authorised to negotiate the cost for the health and safety visit for the sites with the contractor and report back to the Committee.</b></p>
RLC/2022/013	<p><b>Noticeboards</b></p> <p>The request to obtain quotes for Redcotts, Town Hall, Eastbrook and Town Square replacement noticeboards were discussed. Cllr March proposed the Town Clerk was authorised to obtain quotes for Redcotts, Town Hall, Eastbrook and Town Square noticeboards and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Richmond and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk was authorised to obtain quotes for Redcotts, Town Hall, Eastbrook and Town Square noticeboards and report back to the Committee.</b></p>
RLC/2022/014	<p><b>Exercise classes at Redcotts Recreation Ground</b></p> <p>The Town Clerk and councillors confirmed there were exercise classes taking place at the grounds. Cllr Hinks proposed to authorise the Town Clerk to draft a policy that covered the use of the grounds by individuals for exercise classes and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Chedgy and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Town Clerk was authorised to draft a policy that covered the use of the grounds by individuals for exercise classes and report back to the Committee.</b></p>
RLC/2022/015	<p><b>Repair of pedestrian lawn mower</b></p> <p>Cllr Hinks proposed to authorise the repair of the pedestrian lawn mower at a cost of £60 and for the Head Groundsman to provide three quotes to replace the pedestrian lawn mower at a future meeting, seconded by Cllr Chedgy and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the repair of the pedestrian lawn mower at a cost of £60 was authorised and the Head Groundsman was to provide three</b></p>

	<b>quotes to replace the pedestrian lawn mower at a future meeting.</b>
<b>RLC/2022/016</b>	<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>The request to install two additional water supply points was discussed. Cllr March proposed Cllr Bartlett investigate this request with Dorset Council, seconded by Cllr Chedgy, six in favour and one abstention.</p> <p><b>Resolved: Cllr Bartlett was to investigate the request to install two additional water supply points at the allotments with Dorset Council.</b></p>
<b>RLC/2022/017</b>	<p><b>Reflection Garden</b></p> <p>The motion to instal a reflection garden at Redcotts Recreation Grounds was discussed. Cllr Burt proposed to set up a task and finish group to review the agenda item in terms of location, design and resources, and report back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Robinson and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: a task and finish group to be established to review the agenda item in terms of location, design and resources, and report back to the Committee.</b></p>
<b>RLC/2022/018</b>	<p><b>Wildflower area Redcotts</b></p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the current management of the wildlife areas at Redcotts. Cllr Richmond proposed grounds staff to dig up, rotovate and seed with a bee friendly mix the area behind the Lodge and the Committee to compare to the other wildflower areas at the site on a two to three year project, seconded by Cllr Roberts and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: grounds staff to dig up, rotovate and seed with a bee friendly mix the area behind the Lodge and Committee to compare to the other wildflower areas at the site on a two to three year project basis.</b></p>
<b>RLC/2022/019</b>	<p><b>Grounds staff workshop</b></p> <p>The request from the staff was considered. Cllr March proposed to authorise the Head Groundsman to get costs to repaint the office area and replace the roof on the storage area and report back to the Committee and purchase an oil heater at a cost of £85, seconded by Cllr Chedgy and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Head Groundsman was authorised to get costs to repaint the office area and replace the roof on the storage area and report back to the Committee and purchase an oil heater at a cost of £85.</b></p>
<b>RLC/2022/020</b>	<p><b>Leigh Park</b></p> <p>The fencing around the older children’s play area and one piece play equipment in the younger children’s play area were discussed. Cllr Chedgy confirmed that £5,000 had been allocated in the budget for the fencing. Cllr March proposed to authorise the Head Groundsman to obtain quotes to replace the fencing around the older children’s play area and quotes to replace the one piece of equipment in the younger children’s play area and repot back to the Committee, seconded by Cllr Roberts and agreed by all.</p> <p><b>Resolved: the Head Groundsman was authorised to obtain quotes to replace the fencing around the older children’s play area and quotes</b></p>

	<b>to replace the one piece of equipment in the younger children's play area and report back to the Committee.</b>
<b>RLC/2022/021</b>	<p><b>Tree Trail and History Trail</b>  Cllr Richmond provided information to the Committee on the trails. Cllr Chedgy proposed to support and publicise the trails at a cost of up to £300, seconded by Cllr Hinks, agreed by all.  <b>Resolved: the Committee agreed to support and publicise the tree and heritage trails at a cost of up to £300.</b>  Cllr Richmond was thanks for his work on these projects.</p>
<b>RLC/2022/022</b>	<p><b>New projects</b>  Cllr March proposed to authorise the Town Clerk to research, cost and provide three quotes for refurbishing the basketball and tennis court areas at Redcotts, seconded by Cllr Hinks and agreed by all.  <b>Resolved: the Town Clerk was authorised to research, cost and provide three quotes for refurbishing the basketball and tennis court areas at Redcotts.</b></p>
<b>RLC/2022/023</b>	<p><b>Work at Beaucroft School</b>  The current work at Beaucroft School by DC and damage to the bark of a tree by DC contractors was noted.</p>
<b>RLC/2022/024</b>	<p><b>Close of meeting</b>  The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 9.28pm.</p>

Signature of Chairman: .....

Date: .....