



Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Town Clerk: Paul Beckerson



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEISURE, FORESHORE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT 8.00PM ON THURSDAY 21st JULY 2011 AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE, 67 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present Cllrs: Carole Mulroney (Chairman), Mark Bromfield, Alex Coulson, Geoff Crawford, Donald Fraser, Richard Herbert, Pat Holden (from min 21c), Paul Lawrence and David Stanley

In attendance: Paul Beckerson (Town Clerk), Jan Andrews and Chris Page (Belfairs School)

The meeting opened at 8.00pm

15. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting and reminded members about the Fishing Festival on the 31st July and the Farmers' Market on 22 July.

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

17. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th JUNE 2011

The minutes of 16th June 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

18. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SUB-COMMITTEE 5th July 2011 (Appendix 1 to the agenda)

Noted

19. MEMBERSHIP OF OLD TOWN COMMUNITY GROUP

Cllrs Richard Herbert and Paul Lawrence were elected

20. ITEMS FOR NOTING

- a) Receipt of Leigh on Sea Folk Festival Accounts **noted**
- b) LOCOG traffic plan. LOCOG to be requested to circulate the plan more widely and the plan to be placed on Town Council notice boards.

21. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a) Town Guide WP – 23rd June 2011 – Report 1912/TGWP (Appendix 3 to the agenda)
Cllr Geoff Crawford would write an article on the Canvey Road conservation area and Jan Andrews would contribute an article on the new Belfairs School.
- b) Hadleigh Farm Local Liaison Group – 5th July 2011 – Report 1916/CP (Appendix 4 to the agenda)
Noted
- c) Youth Facility Working Party

Cllr Pat Holden joined the meeting

The Working Party had visited the facility to access the amount of work to be undertaken. It was agreed that the repainting was not necessary but that prices for other elements of the work should be obtained. Cllr Lawrence had arranged for the repair of the 'No Dogs allowed' sign free of charge.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the acceptance of the estimate and order for the works be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee.
 - b) That the provision and installation of a clock and contactor be agreed, to be funded from the Lighting Grant.
 - c) That the lights be timed to switch off at 11pm.
- d) Good for Leigh WP – 13th July 2011 – Report 1917/GFLWP (Appendix 5 to the agenda)

RECOMMENDED:

That the recommendations contained in the report be considered at the next meeting of the Council to allow for all Councillors to consider the issues.

- e) Confirmation of position of bespoke Christmas Lighting display

RESOLVED:

That the bespoke display be installed adjacent to lamppost 3 in the Broadway.

- f) St John Ambulance request for flags at First Aid Post at a cost of £120

RESOLVED:

That the request be agreed and funded from the First Aid budget

- g) General Leigh-on-Sea Town Council Events Banner

RESOLVED:

To purchase two banners saying “Organised by Leigh-on-Sea Town Council” with logo all in blue on a white background and to

RECOMMEND to F&GPC that this be funded from the Publicity Budget.

- h) Gypsy Bridge Shelter

RESOLVED:

- a) That action in respect of claims for damaged clothing be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- b) That provision be made for maintenance in future budgets to allow for redecoration every five years.
- c) That the glass that is in the pool be reported to SBC for action (Chris Page reported this to the Committee).

- i) Cinder Path – Weeds (work undertaken by Pay Back team)

RESOLVED:

That a letter of thanks be sent to the Team organiser for the work undertaken and that further letters be sent to Belfairs School to thank them for the work to the planter at the Council offices and to the Probation Service for the work undertaken to the shelter at Gypsy Bridge.

- j) Request by West Leigh Baptist Church for Grant towards Mini Bus – Referred from CTSC (Appendix 6 to the agenda)

RESOLVED:

That the Church be informed that regrettably the Council is not able to accede to its request.

k) Queen's Diamond Jubilee (including application for grant aid and Beacon)

It was noted by the Committee that Woodleigh Avenue is outside the Town Council's area.

RESOLVED:

- a. That the applicant for grant towards bunting for a street party in Woodleigh Avenue be advised that it is, regrettably, not possible for the Town Council to accede to this request or any others for such funding.
- b. That the applicant (and any future applicants) be advised of the Town Council's intention to hold a Jubilee event itself.
- c. That Cllr Fraser be authorised to approach Father Havey to ascertain if St Clements Church would be willing to join with the Council to provide a Jubilee beacon to be lit on the Church tower on 4 June 2012.
- d. To register the Council's interest in a Jubilee Beacon and that should the matter progress the cost of £299 be included in next year's budget.

l) Leigh Youth Club

Members discussed the correspondence from a parent and the Chairman's telephone conversation with Sue Cook, Acting Corporate Director, Children and Learning at SBC regarding the possible reduction in provision in Leigh-on-Sea.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the Town Council strongly urges SBC to review its position with regard to proposals for the club and wishes to be fully involved in reaching a positive outcome that would ensure a continued provision.
- b) That the Town Council make efforts to broker a further meeting between SBC and parents at which representatives of the Town Council would wish to take part.
- c) That SBC be further requested to invite the Portfolio holder, local Borough Councillors and a representative of the YMCA to attend the meeting.
- d) That SBC be urged to arrange the meeting at the Community Centre on an evening with an independent chairman.
- e) That SBC be requested to supply all parties, at least one week in advance of the meeting, with a detailed analysis and explanation of the costings and basis for the decisions affecting the Leigh youth club.
- f) That SBC be asked to give an assurance that the club will be retained after the summer break until the matter is satisfactory resolved.

The meeting closed at 9.38pm