

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
**Held in the COUNCIL OFFICE on Tuesday 28 March at 6.00pm**

Present : Cllr M. Osborne (Chair of Recreation Committee); Cllr Gasper; Cllr Parrott; Cllr Andrews; Cllr Hawes ;Cllr Hessey; Cllr Duerden

Also: Neil Phillips, Tree Warden; Clerk to the Council (Mrs L A Sanderson), Rachel Ayton, Clerk's Assistant

**R536/17 Apologies for absence**  
**None**

**R538/17 Declarations of interests both personal and prejudicial**  
**None**

**R539/17 Approve and sign minutes of 28 February 2017**

The minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee as approved by Full Council, were duly signed and adopted as a true record. **Proposed Cllr Andrews; seconded Cllr Hawes; unanimously agreed.**

**R540/17 Matters Arising**

St Cuthbert's School Council will visit the Parish council on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm this will take the place of the normal evening meeting.

Dog Bins- Clerk will follow up with Miller Homes.

Clerk's assistant will retrieve quotes for two sections of chain link fencing on the Recreation Ground to present to committee.

Clerk will discuss broken slabs outside Sports and Social Club once the new Chairman of the club has been appointed.

**R541/17 Tree warden.**

Concern was raised about the overgrowing ivy hedge by the pumping station on Stretton Road. Clerk reports this issue to Severn Trent when issues arise Tree Warden will seek further advice regarding maintenance with Severn Trent.

Residual clean up after Storm Doris has been carried out and the Highways cleared of fallen trees. An overhanging branch on London Road had been reported.

**R542/17 Regular Expenditure**  
**Nothing of note.**

**R543/17 Maintenance Issues**

**A) Goal Post Painting**

The goal post painting will commence when the drier weather arrives. To be discussed at a later date.

**B) History Board Update**

The history board is ongoing and progressing well. The script is ready for typing.

**R544/17 General Maintenance**

There are concerns regarding the daffodils in the Peace Garden as they don't appear to have come through yet. It was suggested they may have been mowed by the grass cutters before they could bloom previously.

**R545/17 Christmas Lights**

The clerk had been offered a Cone Christmas tree light to purchase at a very good price. The sighting of it was discussed but not agreed. It was decided that the tree should be purchased and sighting discussed at another meeting, following a walk around. **Proposed Cllr Gasper; seconded Cllr Parrott** all agreed except one abstention.

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A new company had quoted for the hanging of the Christmas Lights around the village. This was discussed and proposed that this was accepted. **Proposed Cllr Glasper; Seconded Cllr Parrot; unanimously agreed.**

**R546/17 Flowering Basket Attachments to Street Lighting Columns**

A letter from LCC was presented to Councillors advising of regulations for hanging of flowering basket to street light columns. The committee decided not to consider hanging baskets due to the cost and maintenance.

**R547/17 Skate Park Repairs**

Major repairs have been carried out on the skate park. Wear and tear had mainly caused the damage however it has become apparent that some vandalism had also occurred.

It was proposed that three ramps need to be completely replaced and a quote was circulated to councillors. Councillors decided to remain with the repairs at present due to the cost of replacement.

**Proposed Cllr Duerden; seconded Cllr Hessey.**

**R548/17 Items for next agenda:**

**None**

**R549/17 The meeting closed at 6.53pm**

Signed : \_\_\_\_\_

Dated : \_\_\_\_\_