

CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 06 December at 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Southbrook Street

Present Cllr T Smith (Chair)
Cllr R Ballman
Cllr M Lucas
Cllr K Parker
Cllr J Rodrigues
Cllr S Thompson
Cllr J Yeowell

Cllr J Ballman (Non-committee member)
Cllr D Moffatt (Non-committee member)

Officers A Reeves (Parish Manager)
H Morgan (Deputy Clerk)

Public None

272 **Apologies**
Cllr P Baker

273 **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
None

274 **Allotments**
A report was circulated which can be found as Appendix A in the Minute Book. The Deputy Clerk highlighted the main points of the report re: income and the recommendations to approve requested expenditure for plot number plaques and a replacement fence for the Churchward Avenue Leisure Gardens.

RESOLVED that the recommendations included in the report be agreed and the suggested expenditure approved. All unanimously agreed.

Cllr J Rodrigues asked if the Parish Council have made any plans for the expected revenue from the Leisure Gardens. Cllr D Moffatt stated that the intention was to spend any money made from the Leisure Gardens on maintenance and servicing the sites, it might also be necessary to employ a member of staff to manage the 9 sites that have transferred to the Parish Council. Cllr J Rodrigues agreed that any income should be reinvested in the Leisure Garden sites and said that it was a good opportunity for the Parish Council to make a statement and be seen to be taking action and making improvements.

275 **Bus Shelter(s)**
The Deputy Clerk provided a verbal update and stated that Swindon Borough Council (SBC) had arranged for Clear Channel to visit the location for a shelter on Pinehurst Road on 27 November 2017 and were awaiting their report on findings and cost of relocating an unused shelter from Beech Avenue.

A conversation was had around the benefits of purchasing a new bus shelter whereby the Parish Council would be able to clearly show that the shelter had been purchased and provided by them and could potentially raise some revenue through advertising.

Cllr D Moffatt moved that a new shelter be purchased rather than utilise and relocate and existing SBC shelter.

All unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that a new shelter be purchased for Pinehurst Road.

276 **Chapel Street Toilets**

The Parish Manager displayed and ran through the breakdown of the quotes received from 2 contractors.

The Parish Manager confirmed that all options were agreed at the Finance & Staffing Committee Meeting held 05 December 2017 and the refurb should commence in January 2018.

277 **Parish Noticeboards**

The Parish Manager summarised the agreed locations for the parish noticeboards and explained an issue encountered with the proposed board for John Moulton Hall as a new board had been received from Swindon Borough Council (SBC).

The Parish Manager explained that due to the amount paid by SBC for the new board it had been accepted by the Parish and would be re-branded and displayed by the Parish Council.

A discussion regarding the locations of the noticeboards to place. It was suggested that Moredon & Rodbourne Cheney Library would not be a good location as it would be seen mainly by library users. The crossroads at Farmfoods was suggested as an alternative location.

Cllr D Moffatt suggested a board be put on the railings of the Old Ferndale School site and requested the Parish Manager seek permission to do this.

The Parish Manager confirmed the locations for noticeboards as:
Pinetrees (wall mounted)
Crossroads by Farmfoods (freestanding)
Clive Parade (freestanding)

John Moulton Hall no longer applicable

At a total cost of approx. £4,365

RESOLVED that noticeboards are purchased for the agreed locations.

The meeting closed at 8.38pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair of the Council