

**MINUTES OF THE RECREATION, PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY MAY 29TH, 2019 AT THE OFFICES OF OAKHAM TOWN
COUNCIL, VICTORIA HALL, 39, HIGH STREET, OAKHAM**

PRESENT:

Cllrs, Ian Razzell (Chair), Adam Lowe, Alan Walters, David Romney, Jean Denyer MBE, Joy Clough, Mark Lomas, Nick Woodley, Paul Ainsley, Sally-Anne Wadsworth

ABSENT: Cllrs Zoe Neal and Paul Buxton

IN THE PUBLIC GALLERY: Three

01/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Nominations were invited to appoint a Chairman. 2 nominations were received:

- (i) Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Lowe to elect Cllr Wadsworth
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Clough to elect Cllr Razzell

It was agreed that members shall vote by a show of hands. It was 4 votes for Cllr Wadsworth and 6 votes for Cllr Razzell. Therefore, Cllr Razzell was duly elected as Chairman of the Committee for the forthcoming municipal year.

02/19 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Nominations were invited to appoint a Vice Chairman. 2 nominations were received:

- (i) Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Lomas to elect Cllr Walters
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Denyer to elect Cllr Wadsworth

It was agreed that members shall vote by a show of hands. It was 4 votes for Cllr Wadsworth and 6 votes for Cllr Walters. Therefore, Cllr Walters was duly elected as Vice Chairman of the Committee for the forthcoming municipal year.

03/19 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Neal and Buxton

- (i) Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Romney and unanimously resolved to approve the absence of Cllrs Neal and Buxton due to prior commitments

04/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (i) No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared
- (ii) Cllr Lowe declared an interest in item 9 on the Agenda. He stated he would take part in discussion but would abstain in any vote under those items of business

05/19 MINUTES

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 5 votes for and 5 abstentions to confirm and accept the minutes of the Recreation, Planning and General Purposes Committee meeting held on Wednesday 28th November 2018

06/19 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC

- (i) A member of the public gave a deputation regarding items 7,8, 9 and 10 on the agenda
- (ii) A member of the public gave a deputation regarding Cutts Close

07/19 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconded by Cllr Clough and resolved by 7 votes for (Cllrs Razzell, Clough and Woodley), 1 against (Cllr Romney) and 2 abstentions (Cllr Lowe) that Council accepts the Committee's Terms of Reference but to be reviewed by the Policies and Procedures Working Group and to be resubmitted for Councils approval

08/19 PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT

- (i) Members noted the quarterly independent playground inspection report. After much discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconded by Cllr Denyer and resolved with 8 votes for and 2 abstentions (Cllrs Lowe, Wadsworth) that the reports need to be clearer and concise and ask the Clerk to engage with the reporting company to have the report set out in a more structured way (pages numbers etc) and to include photographs showing the condition of the equipment or an example that demonstrates the narrative.
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Clough and resolved with 9 votes for and 1 abstention that the committee organise a familiarisation visit of the play equipment and sites

09/19 TOWN BENCHES

Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Lomas and resolved with 8 votes for and 2 abstentions that the Clerks formally writes to Rutland County Council for clarification of ownership of the 4 benches that are currently outside the Library and Museum

10/19 CUTTS CLOSE SHELTER

It was agreed that Cllr Lowe would bring a paper back to Committee that would demonstrate what the shelter "footprint" might become in the future.

In the interim members were asked to consider a number of issues and quotation's relating remedial work:

- (i) Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Romney and resolved with 9 votes for and 1 against to the supplying, fitting and painting of new fascia boards
- (ii) Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 9 votes for and 1 against to the supplying, fitting and painting of 2 new doors
- (iii) Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 9 votes for and 1 against for the jet washing and painting of the walls.
It was also agreed that the Clerk asks for a quotation regarding the substitution of anti-graffiti paint
- (iv) Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Lowe and resolved with 9 voted for and 1 abstention that the steel benches remain but are made safe and secure

11/19 PLANNING APPLICATION

- (i) 2019/0425 Mr Spencer
Create driveway with new access
153 Brooke Road
Recommend Approval
Proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and unanimously resolved
- (ii) The Clerk to contact Rutland County Council Planning department to request a weekly planning application list

The Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 7.43pm

Signed: _____

**31st July 2019
Chairman**