

FORDBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND RECREATION
COMMITTEE HELD ON 7TH APRIL 2014

PRESENT: Councillor F.V. Nash (in the Chair)
P. Allen
M.G. Hyde
J. Kimberley
C. McLaughlin
S. McLaughlin
F.A. Nash
L. Sorrell

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for non-attendance from Councillor Dooley was received and noted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest made by members relating to items on the agenda.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held 13th
January 2014 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a
correct record of the proceedings

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE REMAINING ATTRACTIONS FOR THE FUN DAY 2014

The Clerk reported that he had investigated other options for the Fun Day, including an alternative provider, activities which were suitable for use in wet weather and other activities. He advised that no alternative provider could be found to offer the same range of activities but he had discussed with Pambola other items which could be used in adverse weather conditions.

RESOLVED that the following attractions also be provided for the 2014 Fun Day:-
Toy set roundabout, Trampoline Trailer, Inflatable laser quest,
Bucking Bronco (with weather cover) and inflatable obstacle course.
Face painting.

5. CONSIDERATION OF UNDERTAKING A PLANTING PROJECT

The Clerk reported that he had not received any details of any specific suitable locations for a project and confirmed that he had been advised that the cost of the project in Maytree Close had been £20,000.

RESOLVED that consideration of this matter be deferred until such time as any
members of the local community come forward to volunteer to get
involved

6. PARKING ON GRASS VERGES

The question of how to prevent parking on grass verges and the possibility of requesting the introduction of a bye-law to try and solve the problem was discussed by members.

RESOLVED that a representative of the Transport and Highways department of
the local authority be invited to attend a future meeting of the Council
to discuss potential solutions to the issue

7. CONSIDERATION OF PLANTING ADDITIONAL SHRUBS AT THE GATEWAY SITE AT BOSWORTH DRIVE

The Clerk and Councillor Allen suggested that the Council introduce some additional shrubs in the planting beds at Bosworth Drive to ensure colour and content throughout the year. The shrubs would replace the winter planting which had been discontinued due to frost and salt damage. The proposal would also reduce the number of summer plants required, therefore leading to a cost saving in the long term.

RESOLVED that consideration of this matter be deferred and a quotation for undertaking the work be obtained from the Council's contractor

8. FORDBRIDGE CLUB FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (CHAPELHOUSE BOYS' CLUB) SITE

The Clerk reported that he had been included in electronic correspondence with Sustain regarding the possible re-development of this site.

RESOLVED that a representative of Sustain be invited to attend a future meeting of the Council to discuss the plans

9. REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND DECISIONS TAKEN WITH DELEGATED POWERS

Erect Full-Sized Fenced and Floodlit Artificial Grass Pitch and Single Storey Changing Pavilion, City Technology College, Cooks Lane

No objections were raised by members. In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Clerk decided to raise no objections.

Construct New External 3G Artificial Turf Pitch (ATP) With Perimeter Ball-Stop Fencing, Floodlights (Artificial Lighting), Clean Access and Outdoor Storage for Maintenance Equipment, John Henry Newman Catholic College

Concern was raised regarding the obtrusive nature of the light from the floodlights and the impact of additional noise on the adjoining properties. In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Clerk decided to make an objection on the grounds outlined above.

Ground Floor Front Extension and Erection of Ramp, 115 Holly Lodge Walk

No objections were raised by members. In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Clerk decided to raise no objections.

The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN