

LYDNEY RECREATION TRUST

MEETING OF THE TRUST – 30th May 2022 - 35

Minutes of the Meeting held via Zoom on Monday 30th May 2022 at 8.57pm.

Present: Trustees R Kemsley (Chair), A Harley, C Harris, R Holmes, S Holmes, P Macklin, L Penny, T Saunders (Vice-Chair) and E Taylor.

In Attendance: Mr S Holley - Trust Secretary (Minute Taker)

1. **APOLOGIES AND CHAIR**

(i) The Trust NOTED that Apologies for absence had been received from Trustees S Cave and S Stockham.

(ii) Trustees Greenwood, Leach, Thomas-Brown and Vaughan were absent.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR OF THE TRUST**

Trustee Kemsley Proposed from the Chair that Trustee Macklin continue in the position of Vice-Chair of the Trust. There being no other nominations this was put to the vote and unanimously APPROVED.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Kemsley Proposed from the Chair that the Minutes of the meeting of the Trust held on 28th March 2022 be approved as a correct record. Unanimously APPROVED.

5. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

5.1 **Schedule of Payments**

Trustee Kemsley Proposed from the Chair that the circulated Schedule of Payments be agreed. Unanimously APPROVED.

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5.2 **Financial Reports**

the Trust NOTED the Trial Balance, Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Report and Bank Reconciliation for Month 1 (i.e. to 30th April 2022)

6. **PROPOSALS FOR SKATE PARK AND PUMP TRACK**

Trustee Cave provided a verbal update report and advised that skate park provider Maverick had offered to provide a free quote. This would be reported to a future meeting. It was generally agreed that the project appeared to be moving forward well and had the potential to an exciting project for the town.

7. **STREET ART PROJECT**

Trustee L Penny circulated a report on a workshop event she had recently done with members of the Lydney Youth Hub to get the opinions of the young people on creating street art at Lydney Skate Park. Some really positive opinions had been given, with about 19 young people wanting to do the workshop. Within the report were some ideas gained from an artist based in Bristol. The proposed workshop would be held in July if possible, for the young people to create their own street art on cardboard to take home. They would also help with creating artwork on wooden boards, which would be installed along the existing fence at the Skate Park. It was explained that

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the Trust was being asked to give its permission only as landowner; the cost of the project (i.e. the materials and the artist) would be put to the next meeting of the Council as a cost to the Arts Activities budget. In the ensuing debate, there was some opposition from members opposed to Street Art / Grafitti in principle but Trustee Penny's Proposal was Seconded by Trustee Saunders and APPROVED by the Trust with the following Record of Voting: For – 7, Against – 1, Abstained – 1, Absent/Apologies – 6. It was understood that the event would only proceed if the Council approved the funding.

8. OTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE RECREATION GROUNDS

- 8.1 The Trust Chair explained that he and the Vice-Chair had walked around the Trust land and would like the Trust to consider suggestions for other improvements, to include: general upkeep; fencing around the car park; painting the garage doors. The following was AGREED (i) the Trust Secretary to arrange another walk round for the Trust Chair and Vice-Chair to discuss their concerns with the Head Gardener and Trust Secretary; and (ii) the re-painting of the doors of the Trust garages in Hams Road. The Trust Chair advised that the fencing around the sports clubs was rotting in places and repair had been estimated at £2,500 with free labour by volunteers.
- 8.2 The Trust Chair informed the Trust that a considerable sum of S106 money was likely to be available and he felt the Trust should be ambitious. He had been looking into the improvement of irrigation and drainage in the Recreation Ground, with possible S106 funding. Approximately 60 to 100 tonnes of sand spread across the surface of various playing surfaces would help with the drainage. The Trust Secretary was requested to obtain prices, with the cost to be met entirely from the available S106 money. The Trust Chair also suggested that water could be drawn from the river to irrigate the sports fields. He had been advised by a grounds specialist in the English Cricket Board's that this should work well.

9. GEESE AT THE LAKE

The Trust Chair advised that a number of matches scheduled for the Football Club's junior teams and the Rugby Club's junior teams had been cancelled because of the quantity of faeces left by the geese. The Trust Chair and Vice-Chair would discuss the problem further with the clubs and report back to the Trust.

10. TRUST SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Trust Secretary had nothing to report.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

12. TRUSTEES REPORTS

None.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 25th July 2022.

The meeting closed at 9.47 pm.

Chair.....

Date.....

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