LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held in Council Chambers, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 15th January 2024 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors C Harris, R Holmes, S Holmes (Chair) P Johns,

M Jones, and T Saunders (Vice Chair).

Also

M Greenfield (Town Clerk)

Present:

L Bendall (Assistant Clerk - Minute Taker)

Members

of the

None.

Public:

OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on Monday 16th October 2023 were confirmed as a true record, proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr Saunders.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

4. TOWN CLERKS REPORT

The Town Clerk's report was received and Noted.

It was noted that an update from GCC had been received to advise that the bus shelter from Bream Road will be relocated to opposite Taurus Crafts by the end of January.

It was noted that the Community Trees were being delivered to Council w/c 15th January, to Primrose Hill School w/c 29th January and to Severnbank in March.

5. ALLOTMENT RENT REVIEW

To review and approve the allotment rent for financial year 2024/25. Cllr S Holmes proposed that the allotment rent for financial year 2024/25 increase from 0.75p per square metre to £1.00 per square metre, letters to be sent to allotment tenants to advise of the increase.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

6. **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

To note URGENT Councillors Reports on matters relevant to the remit of this Committee.

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Cllr Harris has been notified by Cllr Preest of an overflowing Dog Poo Bin between the bypass and the Ironbridge; office will liaise with the contractor to investigate and arrange for bin to be emptied.

Cllr R Holmes updated the Committee of a recent meeting with Forestry England to discuss permission for a fence and gates to be installed to prevent boar invading The Mesne. Permission was granted, office awaits licence and written confirmation and is in the process of obtaining quotes for the work to be undertaken. This will be added to a Council Agenda for discussion and approval. It was noted that the Clerk advised that the installation of a fence and gates would not fully solve the problem but divert the boar to use find a different access.

7. **AMENITIES BUDGET**

To note the council budget was approved on the 8th January 2024 Noted.

8. D-DAY 80 CELEBRATIONS 6TH JUNE 2024

To plan and organise the D-Day Celebrations, with funds being taken from the Civic and Events budgets.

Cllr Saunders proposed a Sub-Committee consisting of Cllrs Jones, S Holmes, Harris and Saunders be set up to plan the D-Day celebrations with funds being taken from Civic and Events budgets. Seconded by Cllr Harris

Resolved: Majority Approved

9. **CHRISTMAS 2024**

9.1 To discuss and approve the date for Christmas 2024 Cllr Saunders proposed that the Christmas Parade be held on Saturday 30th November 2024, seconded by Cllr Harris.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

9.2 To discuss and approve Christmas events and activities for 2024, with funds being taken from the Civic and Events budget.

Cllr Harris proposed that Cllr Saunders present plans for proposed Christmas Event to Council at a future meeting with funds for the Christmas Window Competition prizes taken from the Civic Fund and the rest of the expenditure to be taken from the Events Budget, seconded by Cllr Saunders.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

Cllr Saunders agreed to obtain costings for new Christmas Town lights.

10. LYDNEY MARKET

To discuss and approve actions relating to Lydney Market Cllr S Holmes proposed that Cllr Saunders to liaise with sub-committee members to organise a meeting as soon as possible.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

11. **EASTER EVENT 2024**

To discuss and approve Easter Activity dates and events, with funds being taken from the Amenities General Budget and Events Budget Cllr Saunders proposed that the Easter Event be held on Wednesday 27th March 2024 and will follow same format as previous years and with funds to be

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taken from the Amenities General Budget and Events Budget. Seconded by Cllr Harris.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

Note to be added to Bathurst Park & Recreation Trust Agenda for approval.

12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 15th April 2024 at 7.00pm at the Council Chambers, Claremont House, High Street, Lydney

Meeting ended at 7.08pm

Chair Stolmes	Date 15-04-2024
Chair	Date

