

LYDNEY RECREATION TRUST

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting held at Council Chambers on Monday 26th January 2026 at 8.17pm

Present: Trustees N Saunders (Chair), S Cave, C Evans, J Gregory, C Harris, S Hillier, R Holmes, S Holmes, P Johns, M Jones, T Lindsay and E Taylor

In Attendance: Mrs L Bendall - Minute Taker
Henry Sleeman

No members of the public were present

Open Forum

No items were raised

1.	Apologies for Absence No apologies for absence were received.
2.	Declarations of Interest No declarations of interests were received.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting Chair proposed that the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 24th November 2025 were accepted as read and correct. Resolved: Majority Approved
4.	Financial Matters/Secretary's Financial Reports
4.1	Payments (a) To approve invoices to be paid Chair proposed payments totalling £1014.18 be approved. Resolved: Unanimously Approved (b) To note payments made on Cashbook Statements for 30.11.25 and 31.12.25 Noted
4.2	Income and Expenditure Reports To note the Income and Expenditure Reports 30.11.25 & 31.12.25 Noted
4.3	Bank Reconciliation & Cashbook Statements – Petty Cash, Current & Deposit Accounts To note the Bank Reconciliations 30.11.25 & 31.12.25 & Cashbook Statements for 30.11.25 and 31.12.25 Noted
4.4	Earmarked Reserves To note the Earmarked Reserves for 30.11.25 & 31.12.25 Noted

5.	<p>Trustees' Reports</p> <p>To consider any <u>URGENT</u> reports from members of the Trust</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustee Saunders advised that she held a meeting with the Chairs of the Clubs on 15 January. This was a positive meeting, with discussions including Health & Safety responsibilities and reporting procedures. • Following discussions with Gloucestershire Highways, it was confirmed that the road from the Rugby Club towards the Band Hut is the responsibility of the Recreation Trust to maintain. Road chippings that were incorrectly delivered to the Rugby Club have since been used to repair potholes along this stretch of road, as well as potholes within the Rugby and Football Club car parks. • Trustee Saunders is meeting with a local landowner, in conjunction with the Recreation Trust, to discuss tree management.
6.	<p>Trust Secretary</p> <p>To receive the Trust Secretary's Report</p> <p>Received and noted</p>
7.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>To consider and agree a response to any correspondence received</p> <p>No correspondence was received</p>
8.	<p>Wildlife</p> <p>(a) to receive an update on the wildlife and pest control</p> <p>An update was received on wildlife and pest control. It was noted with disappointment that, despite signage requesting that geese are not fed, this remains an ongoing issue. Reports have been received of a local resident leaving seed, which is encouraging vermin.</p> <p>(b) to decide on future actions</p> <p>Two quotes had been received to clear the island, with a further quote pending. It was proposed and seconded to delegate authority to the Chair and Deputy Clerk to appoint a contractor to clear the island, with funds to be taken from Budget Code 4205/200 Geese Management and EMR 350 Management of Geese.</p> <p>Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
9.	<p>Skatepark</p> <p>(a) To receive an update on the skatepark</p> <p>Ttee Cave gave an update on the progress of the proposed new skatepark. Ttee Cave has created a working group to help with fundraising; Maverick will support on this. Due to work commitments Ttee Cave requested support from other Trustees to help move this forward; it was agreed for Ttee Cave to organise a meeting to be held with Maverick and the Working Group members to identify next steps and all Trustees are invited to attend.</p> <p>(b) To receive and approve quotes for priority surfacing repairs to the skatepark</p> <p>It was proposed and seconded that the quote from Evolution Skateparks for £3312.50 be approved to undertake priority resurfacing repairs to the skatepark.</p> <p>Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>

	<p>(c) To receive Zurich inspection reports for Skatepark and Multi-Use Games Area and approve for any remedial works to be undertaken</p> <p>It was noted that the recommended remedial works identified in the report had already been included within the priority works approved under Agenda Item 9(b). Zurich undertake six-monthly inspections for insurance purposes.</p>
10.	Bank Signatories
	<p>To consider adding the Deputy Clerk as an authorised bank signatory</p> <p>Chair proposed approving adding Deputy Clerk as an authorised bank signatory.</p> <p>Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
11.	Flooding Works and East Marsh Update
	<p>(a) To receive an update from Forest of Dean District Council (FoDDC) Flooding Officer relating to ongoing works</p> <p>Update received and noted</p> <p>(b) To discuss, agree and approve how to manage future clearance and maintenance works on East Marsh</p> <p>Chair proposed to approve approaching the current contractor working with Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) to obtain costings for regular maintenance works, and to identify maintenance works that the grounds team could undertake within their remit and capability.</p> <p>Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
12.	Danters Fun Fair
	<p>To consider and decide Danters Funfair request to rent Hams Road Carpark from 18th to 22nd March 2026</p> <p>It was proposed and seconded to approve Danters Funfair to rent Hams Road Carpark from 18th to 22nd March 2026</p> <p>Resolved: Majority Approved</p>
13.	Cricket Club Fencing & Gate
	<p>To receive quotes and approve replacing the fencing and vehicle gate around the cricket club area</p> <p>Following discussion, it was proposed and seconded to approve the quote from Forest of Dean Tree Service for £3850.00 to replace the fencing and vehicle gate around the cricket club area.</p> <p>Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
14.	Date of Next Meeting
	<p>Monday 23rd March 2026 at the conclusion of the meeting of Bathurst Park and Recreation Trust. Venue Council Chambers</p>
	Meeting Closed at 9.22pm

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Signed:.....

Date:.....