

**MINUTES OF PORTISHEAD TOWN COUNCIL
RECREATION AND WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
28th FEBRUARY 2018 7.30PM**

PRESENT: - Councillor Oyns - in the Chair

Councillors: - Cameron, M. Cruse, R. Cruse, Lord and Mason

Staff: - Jo Duffy – Clerk of the Council

Public: - There were 2 members of the public in attendance

RW1799 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda item .1)

There were three declarations of interest recorded in the Declarations of Interest Register.

Cllr. Oyns stated that any views expressed on matters to also be considered at North Somerset Council (NSC) would be provisional and based on the facts currently known. He would be exercising his right to reconsider the matter afresh when the matter went before North Somerset Council.

Cllrs. Lord and R. Cruse declared a personal and pecuniary interest with granted dispensation for agenda items 6 and 8 as trustees of Portishead Youth Centre.

APOLOGIES (Agenda item .2)

Apologies were received from Councillor Burden, Clark, Cottrell and Terry.

RW1800 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Agenda item .3)

There were 2 members of the public in attendance who wished to address the meeting: -

- Mrs Janet Davey spoke about WASP, the Town Council's reserves and also Town Green Status.
- Mr. Geoff Hardman asked for a copy of the letter sent to Mr. David Carter at North Somerset Council regarding WASP. He spoke about an email received from John Flannigan and the two possible dates for the requested meeting; 22nd and 26th March. He also spoke about the number of verbal reports on the agenda.

These minutes summarise what was said during public participation and were views expressed by the speaker, not the Town Council.

**RW1801 WASP (PORTISHEAD WHEELS AND SKATE PARK GROUP) – UPDATE
(Agenda item .4)**

The Clerk confirmed that she met with Geoff Hardman on 16th February to get a better understanding of the meeting WASP has requested with North Somerset Council. Following that meeting she wrote to David Carter. Mr. Carter has subsequently tasked John Flannigan (Community and Environment Manager) with making contact with the group. Mr. Flannigan wrote “I think in the first instance it would be helpful to organise an initial meeting for me to understand the groups plans and to learn more about them before progressing the matter further” The Clerk passed Mr. Hardman a copy of the email.

RW1802 PILL PARK UPDATE (Agenda item .5)

Cllr. Oyns advised that there was a meeting on Monday 26th February and that good progress was made. There will be a major meeting on 28th March and after this date he confidently expects plans to go out to public consultation.

The Clerk advised that she has been in contact with John Flannigan and he confirmed the consultation would be during April. As long as feedback is positive, it is hoped that work will start shortly afterwards and be completed during 2018.

**RW1803 TO CONSIDER GRANTING LANDLORDS PERMISSIONS FOR SOLAR
PANELS TO BE INSTALLED ON THE FLAT ROOF OF THE YOUTH
CENTRE (Agenda item .6)**

Cllr. R. Cruse explained that Portishead Youth Centre is seeking landlord’s permission to place solar panels on the new section of the building’s roof.

The following recommendation was made:

Portishead Town Council grants landlords permission for Portishead Youth Centre to place solar panels on the new section of the roof.

A vote was taken with abstentions from Cllrs. R. Cruse, M. Cruse and Lord with the remaining councillors all in favour.

RW1804 TO REVIEW QUOTES ON THE TREES AND HEDGES AT GERTIE GALES AND NORTH WESTON ALLOTMENTS SITES (Agenda item .7)

The Clerk briefly ran through the report.

The Recreation and Works Committee reviews all three quotes once the Clerk has received them, with a view to the work being carried out outside of the bird nesting season.

A vote was taken with all in favour.

RW1805 TO CONSIDER QUOTES FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE FENCING PANELS AT THE PORTISHEAD YOUTH CENTRE MUGA (Agenda item .8)

The Clerk explained that she has taken the opportunity to review the quotes for repairs to the fencing panel at the MUGA, and that she was not happy with the quotes and will ask the contractors to re-quote. This item was deferred until the next meeting.

RW1806 TO REPORT ON A SURVEY OF THE TOWNS LITTER AND DOG BINS. (Agenda item .9)

The meeting discussed this item at length. It was suggested that the Clerk writes an article on dog mess for the next edition of Gordano Living.

The following recommendations were made:

Portishead Town Council purchases, installs and empties a dog bin on the path at Spring Rise and installs a dog bin provided by North Somerset Council at Mendip Road and pays for the emptying.

A vote was taken with the majority in favour.

RW1807 PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS (Agenda .10)

The meeting discussed whether the history of the Folk Hall warrants introducing a Public Spaces Protection Order.

The following recommendation was made:

Portishead Town Council goes no further with pursuing a Public Spaces Protection Order for Town Council owned premises.

A vote was taken with the majority in favour.

RW1808 AN UPDATE MAY BE OFFERED ON BRISTOL ROAD PLAYING FIELD (Agenda .11)

There was nothing to report.

RW1809 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING (Agenda item .12)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. MUGA fencing panels2. WASP (Wheels and Skate Park)3. An update may be offered on Bristol Road playing field4. To review the quotes on trees works for the two allotment site5. To receive an update from the WW1 Centenary Working Party6. To receive any updates on S.106 funding towards a climbing wall7. To discuss the safety barriers around the Marina |
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RW1810 HEAVEN'S FIELD – UPDATE (Agenda .13)

There was nothing to report.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.17pm.