

MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Leisure and Youth Committee Meeting held at Malmesbury Town Hall on Thursday 26 February 2009 at 7pm.

Present: Cllrs S Cox, P Dove, J Lawton, A Stamp

In Attendance: Cllr W G Blake

Absent: Cllrs A Carnegie, R F Sanderson,

52. Apologies Cllr S Killane, M Thomas

53. Resolved that the Minutes of the Emergency Leisure & Youth Committee meeting, held on the 6 January 2009, be received and adopted.

54. Declarations of Interest

None

55. All inclusive equipment at St Aldhelm's Mead, press release attached as Report No.1

Members were happy with the content of the press release.

56. Grant Application to NWDC for Improvements to St Aldhelm's Mead.

As members know this application was unfortunately refused.

57. To receive an information update on the proposed music events to be held in Cloister Gardens

The members were informed that Malmesbury Carnival Committee do not now wish to proceed with an event there, given difficulties of access. However it is felt that events could still be held by the Town Council in this location and Cllr Blake mentioned that the Abbey has a stage that could perhaps be used at this location.

Members requested that we get a quotation for a (30 amp) power supply there.

ACTION PHIL RICE TO ENQUIRE

58. To receive an update on the YMCA Project

A meeting has been arranged for Friday 19 March 2009 in the Town Hall at 7 pm and we are to write to interested youth bodies etc informing of this. It transpired after the meeting that the original meeting date of 13 March was not feasible. Meanwhile a flyer is to be done for notice boards in town and the senior school etc and we are to write to interested parties. Cllr Cox has agreed to provide the office with names etc of parties who could be interested and we will do a press release. **ACTIONS PHIL RICE**

59. To receive an update on Reeds Farm play equipment.

It appears that whilst the lease has not been completed, there is hopefully to be an exchange of letters between Persimmon's solicitors and NWDC legal department, the content of which will be satisfactory for both parties **and** the funding source. Subject to this, work will commence on Monday 2 March 2009. On confirmation a press release is to be done which should include the excellent co-operation between local authorities, Persimmon, Claire Edmeston, her colleagues and others. **ACTION PHIL RICE**

NB WE HEARD LATE ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON THAT AN ACCEPTABLE "LETTER LEASE" HAD BEEN PROVIDED AND WHILST AT THE TIME IT WAS TOO LATE TO GIVE THE GO AHEAD FOR WORK TO START ON 2 MARCH, WORK SHOULD NOT BE UNDULY DELAYED

Meanwhile, since the meeting, the grass has been cut as requested and we are to proceed with a dog ban notice on the site.

ACTION PHIL RICE

60. To receive an update on the Youth Club project. It is proposed that the group will meet Monthly with the aim of promoting better links between community leaders and young people. The group will eventually nominate two youth councillors to participate on the Area Boards. (For information only).

There was nothing significant to report on this.

61. To receive a progress report on the installation of equipment at White Lion Park. (For information only).

Again little to report at this stage other than the quotation mentioned at 62 below.

62. Correspondence and Exchange of Information

- A copy of a revised quotation dated 29 January 2009 to White Lion Recreation Association re play equipment has been received.
- Cllr Cox advised that Nurdens Garden Centre has kindly supplied ten trees for White Lion Park whilst the White Lion Recreation Association has purchased stakes etc. Planting hopefully will take place within the next two weeks.
- Phil Rice had attended a meeting regarding the Gloucester Street/Long Stay Car Park issues earlier today which Cllr Carnegie had also attended and it is hoped that with involvement of the young people involved plus maybe CCTV in the car park, matters may eventually move to a conclusion that all parties can be happy with.
- We are to write to Pete Smith regarding the youth centre and invite him to do a presentation to this committee on the activities etc of the youth centre.

ACTION PHIL RICE

63. The meeting finished at 7.35 pm.