

**Leisure and Recreation Committee Meeting
5 March 2020**

Present: Councillors Bugge, G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Hirst, Holmes, Kenyon, Mitchell, Pringle, Wilson, Womersley and the town clerk.

5 members of the public were in attendance

390 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All members were in attendance.

391 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr G Eccles declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 (e) – Water Park (gates).

Cllr J Eccles declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 (e) – Water Park (gates).

392 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2020 be approved.

393 CASUAL VACANCY

The town clerk confirmed there to be a casual vacancy in the Hemsworth west ward.

Resolved that the report of the town clerk be noted and approved.

394 YOUTH CLUB

Resolved that:

- The youth club continues in school holidays.
- The closing time be extended to 7pm.
- Chips/chip butties be provided by individual councillors provided they have the appropriate health and hygiene certification.

395 MUSIC FESTIVAL

Representatives respectively from Capital Radio, Apple Entertainment Agency, Media Security and CE Events were in attendance for this item and took questions from members.

a) Preparations and progress thus far

The town clerk confirmed that the music and alcohol license for the festival had been granted by Wakefield Council. The town clerk advised that the coronavirus outbreak and the death of the monarch are two risks for which the festival is not insured.

Resolved that the report of the town clerk be noted and approved.

b) Advertising and promotion

Resolved that this item be deferred pro tem.

c) Quotes for supplies and services

Resolved that this item be deferred pro tem.

396 ALLOTMENTS

a) Request to waive rent for a charitable organisation

Resolved that the request to waive the rent for 2020 for 'Springfield Allotment Community Klub' (*sic*) be approved.

b) Security – locking gates and taps

Resolved that the locks on gates be welded to the gates and that the security officer conduct random spot checks of taps.

397 LAKESIDE CAFÉ BAR

a) Summer opening hours

Resolved that the summer opening hours commencing 4 April 2020 be 9.30am to 11pm but with manager's discretion to close early when appropriate but not before 9pm.

b) Entertainment acts

Resolved that acts be procured for Sunday afternoons commencing 5 April 2020 with a review to be held in May/June with the following maximum costings:

- Solo acts - £150 - £200
- Duo acts - £200 - £250
- Tribute acts - £300 - £350

c) Café bar manager's report

The café bar manager reported on the carvery and functions booked, including a wedding.

Resolved that the report of the café bar manager be noted and approved.

d) Mothers' Day

Resolved that a Mothers' Day celebration meal be held with bookings taken for the first floor and the regular carvery on the ground floor.

e) Extra security - contractor

Resolved that a security contractor be used when extra security is required.

f) Kitchen – extraction clean

Resolved that the quote from 'Phil's Cleaning Academy' be accepted.

398 WATER PARK

a) Hanging baskets

Resolved that the quote from First Impressions for hanging baskets be accepted.

b) Lower lake

Resolved that this item be deferred.

c) Pump

Resolved that a pump be procured.

d) Request from Wakefield Council to book Playworld

Resolved that this item be deferred.

e) Gates

Resolved that large/vehicular gates be procured for each entrance to the park.

f) Possible widening of bridges

Cllr Holmes requested a recorded vote on the proposal to widen the bridges at the park. The votes were cast as follows:

For:

Cllrs G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon and Pringle.

Against:

Cllrs Bugge, Hirst, Holmes, Wilson and Womersley

Abstentions:

Cllr Mitchell

There being an equality of votes the chair cast his casting vote in favour of the proposal.

Resolved that the bridges be widened.

399 PLANT/VEHICLE PROCUREMENT

At this juncture Cllr Mitchell gave his apologies and left the meeting.

The town clerk reminded members that the approved capital budget for 2020-21 is £32,000 and that any spend beyond that would need to come from the council's reserves. The town clerk advised that the procurement of any item costing £25,000 or more would have to be put out to tender.

a) Tractor and trailer

Cllr Holmes requested a recorded vote on the proposal to procure a tractor and trailer. The votes were cast as follows:

For:

Cllrs G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon and Pringle.

Against:

Cllrs Bugge, Hirst, Holmes, Wilson and Womersley

Abstentions:

None.

There being an equality of votes the chair cast his casting vote in favour of the proposal.

Resolved that a tractor and trailer be procured and that the tender process commence forthwith.

b) Mobile food/beverage unit

Cllr Holmes requested a recorded vote on the proposal to procure a mobile food/beverage unit. The votes were cast as follows:

For:

Cllrs G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon and Pringle.

Against:

Cllrs Bugge, Hirst, Holmes, Wilson and Womersley

Abstentions:

None.

There being an equality of votes the chair cast his casting vote in favour of the proposal.

Resolved that a mobile food/beverage unit be procured.

At this juncture Cllrs Bugge, Hirst, Holmes and Womersley left the meeting. The town clerk confirmed that the meeting is still quorate.

400 RECRUITMENT

a) Permanent vacancy on the grounds maintenance team

Resolved that the recruitment panel be Cllrs J Eccles, Pringle, Hardacre and the grounds maintenance manager.

b) Seasonal workers for the summer period

Resolved that the grounds maintenance manager and the café bar manager conduct the recruitment and selection of seasonal workers.

At this juncture Cllr Wilson left the meeting. The town clerk confirmed that the meeting is still quorate.

401 SPORT RELIEF

Cllr Kenyon requested a recorded vote on the proposal to grant free use of Sandygate football facility for Sport Relief.

For:

Cllrs G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Kenyon and Pringle.

Against:

None.

Abstentions:

None.

Resolved that free use of Sandygate football facility for Sport Relief be approved.

At this juncture as the meeting had lasted for over two hours the meeting was adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 21:25.