

**Leisure and Recreation Committee Meeting
7 January 2021**

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

Two members of the public were in attendance.

NB – This meeting was held online in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020.

The chair was only present via audio means and the vice-chair was present but not feeling well thus it was agreed that Cllr J Eccles would chair the meeting.

217 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bugge and Womersley.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

218 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations other than those already stated in members' respective register of interests.

219 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2020 be approved.

220 ALLOTMENTS

Cllr Wilson fed back to the committee regarding his site visit.

Resolved that the request to have a steel cabin and an extension for a small paddock for one pony be approved.

221 HEMSWORTH WATER PARK

a) Review of the park's operations generally with reference to COVID

Resolved that:

- The park remains open.
- Playworld remains closed.
- The beach shop remains open.
- The (outdoor) toilets remain open but with COVID secure measures in place.

b) Storage unit - update

The town clerk reported on the progress report received from the project manager - Jason Begg.

Resolved that:

- The report of the town clerk be noted and approved.
- Roofing sheets be procured.

c) Playworld – annual inspection

Resolved that the quote from ROSPA Play Safety regarding the annual inspection of Playworld be accepted.

222 LAKESIDE CAFÉ BAR

a) Review of the café bar with reference to COVID

Resolved that the café bar remain closed.

b) Soft play area – annual inspection

Resolved that the quote from ROSPA Play Safety regarding the annual inspection of the soft play area be accepted.

223 FOOTBALL FACILITIES

Resolved that the football facilities remain closed.

224 COMMUNITY CENTRES

Resolved that:

- Fitzwilliam Community Centre remains closed.
- Hemsworth Community Centre be closed to the general public unless for an appointment for an exempt activity.

225 HANGING BASKETS

Resolved that hanging baskets be procured via First Impressions.

226 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

The town clerk reported on the (anonymized) freedom of information requests received.

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to respond accordingly to the freedom of information requests.

227 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

228 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX

The town clerk provided an update on matters pertaining to the sports complex.

Resolved that:

- The report of the town clerk be noted and approved.
- The advice of Richard Buxton and Matthew Hutchings continue to be accepted and approved.

229 HEMSWORTH WATER PARK – ICE CREAM CONCESSION

Resolved that this item be deferred.

The meeting closed at 19:50.