

Minutes of the meeting of the **RECREATION COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **Wednesday 5th SEPTEMBER 2018** at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Councillor Brian Hall (Chairman) and
Councillors Eddy Adam, M Ashcroft, Jim Atkinson,
Derek G Atkinson, Kathy Beetham, P J Bergg,
Bill Blenkinsopp, Mrs D Bowman, Arun M Chandran,
B A Clare, J D Clare, J Clark, Mrs M Dalton, R S Fleming,
I Gray, George C Gray, Mrs S Haigh, Dave Hardaker,
K Henderson, Mrs V M Raw, Ken Robson, and Paul Symons

OFFICIALS Mr A Bailey (Town Clerk)
Mr S Cooper (Works and Environment Manager)
Mrs M J Robinson (Leisure & Environment Assistant)
Mrs J Thexton (Leisure Manager)
Mr L Williams (Grounds Maintenance Service Coordinator)

36. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Jed Hillary, Wendy Hillary, Kate Hopper, M Iveson, Mrs S J Iveson and Sally Symons.

37. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS**

No applications for dispensations had been received.

38. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

39. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from members of the public.

40. **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Jim Atkinson, seconded by Councillor M Ashcroft and

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held on the **18th July 2018** be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

41. **EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE**

The minutes of the meeting of the Events Sub-Committee held on the 22nd August 2018 were considered:

It was proposed by Councillor R S Fleming, seconded by Councillor M Ashcroft

RESOLVED – That it be recommended that the notes and recommendations be received.

42. **OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX REPORT**

The Town Clerk submitted a report for the period 26th August 2018. The report gave comparisons of income from the corresponding periods in 2016 and 2017 and updates on Club events and tournaments which had taken place.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

43. **OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX – USAGE COMPARISONS**

The Leisure Manager submitted a report for the period ending 26th August 2018. The report compared usage figures and income from the same period in 2017.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

44. **PARKS UPDATE**

The Works and Environment Manager submitted a report which gave information regarding the opening of Cobblers Hall Play area, football pitch allocation, the new Skate Park and the provision of a defibrillator cabinet donated by Aycliffe Fabrications.

RESOLVED - that it be recommended that the report be received.

45. **AYCLIFFE VILLAGE JUNIOR PLAY AREA**

The Works and Environment Manager submitted a report to update members on the designs and public consultation and requested members to consider which supplier to engage to carry out the work.

The Works and Environment Manager advised that it may be possible to obtain approximately £7,000 of Section 106 Monies from Durham County Council towards the cost of the play area.

RESOLVED - that it be recommended that:

- i. The report be received.
- ii. HAGS be awarded the contract at a cost of £46,000
- iii. An application be made to Durham County Council for Section 106 Monies.

46. **GENERAL OPEN KENNEL CLUB SHOW**

The Leisure Manager submitted a report which requested members to permit officers to enter into further talks with the South West Durham K9 Society regarding two dog shows in the Oakleaf Sports Complex Hall.

The Leisure Manager advised during the meeting that only one event was now to be held and that the show would now, also take place in the exterior ground at the rear of the Complex.

RESOLVED - that it be recommended that

- i. The report be received.
- ii. The Officer continue liaising with the organisers with a view to the event proceeding.

CHAIRMAN.