

WYMONDHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF A LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
meeting held on TUESDAY 20th March 2012
in the COUNCIL CHAMBER at 7.30 pm.

Present Councillors: R Savage
J Wright
JH Turner
C Foulger (substitute for D Roberts)

Also Present: Cllrs. Hockaday, Ward & Longhurst.

Members of the public – 0

LE01/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr. Roberts

LE02/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

LE03/12 ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

LE44/11 KETTS PARK CHANGING ROOMS Cllr. Hockaday asked a question regarding the use of the changing rooms inside the main building. Cllr. Foulger replied that the rooms were designed for use by groups undertaking activities in the Sports Hall not outside.

LE04/12 MINUTES OF MEETING Upon the proposition of Cllr. Wright & seconded by Cllr. Turner it was resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 29th November 2011 as a true record.

LE05/12 MATTERS ARISING None.

LE06/12 SNC TREE WORKS In response to the Chestnut tree being felled in the Market Street car park it was agreed that the Council would write to express its view that the planting of an European Oak in replacement would be appropriate.
Other tree work as notified by South Norfolk Council was noted.

LE07/12 TIFFEY VALLEY FOOTPATHS Clerk advised of a telephone conversation with Norfolk County Council in respect of permissive footpaths in the Tiffey Valley. Stewardship schemes were coming to an end and would not be renewed and therefore landowners would not be receiving funds which they used towards paying Public Liability Insurance premiums and some maintenance work Unless they are prepared to pay the premium themselves and volunteers are found in respect of maintenance it is likely the footpaths will close and landowners will withdraw the permissive rights. Further information is awaited from NCC before discussing the matter further with landowners and local nature groups.

LE08/12 KINGS HEAD MEADOW WORKING GROUP Cllr. Turner advised that the working group had met and that a 5 stage strategy was being prepared. Cllr. Foulger advised that all working group meetings should be held in the Council offices as this is the established procedure. After a long discussion it was agreed the group would provide minutes of their meetings and prepare Terms of Reference for consideration by the L&E Committee. The minutes would include nomination of Chairman, group members and notes of discussions. The Terms of reference would include format of meetings; consultation strategy with residents, L&E and outside bodies; anticipated report timelines, including a progress report to Full Council; preparation of options and the boundaries to be considered for the future use of Kings Head Meadow. Consultation with residents and outside bodies should be presented in draft to L&E before any contact is made. Cllr Turner agreed to provide written minutes and Terms of Reference to L&E by Friday, 23rd March. This would be discussed by the Committee at a meeting to be held on Thursday 29th March in the Council offices so that the Committee Chairman, Cllr. Savage. can give a report to the April full Council meeting.

Meeting closed 20.40 pm

DATED this day of 2012

SIGNED (Chairman)