

Dorchester Town Council

Management Committee held via the Zoom Video Conferencing Platform

10 January 2022

Present: The Mayor (Councillor G. Jones) and Councillors S. Biles, A. Canning, L. Fry, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger (Chairman), D. Leaper, R. Major, R. Potter, M. Rennie, R. Ricardo and D. Taylor.

Apologies: Councillor A. Lyall.

In Attendance

Councillors J. Hewitt and F. Hogwood.

40. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 8 November 2021, adopted by Council on 22 November 2021, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

41. **Management Arrangements**

The Committee considered a report from the Outdoor Services Manager updating it on the work undertaken and the achievements made by the Outdoor Services Team since the last meeting of the Committee.

Members were pleased with the progress being made on the new play area at the Great Field. It was felt that there was likely to be demand on the toilets at the Pavilion in the Park and the Committee felt it would be useful to understand the arrangement for when the toilets would be open.

It was noted that arrangements were being made for a community planting event at King's Road to be held on Monday 31 January 2022.

The Committee felt that it would be beneficial to ask a representative of the Friends of the Borough Gardens to attend the next meeting so that they may report back on the activities of the group and their plans for the future.

Recommended

That the Outdoor Services Team update be noted.

42. **Outside Gym**

In pursuance of Minute No. 27 the Committee considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk which set out information regarding the two lowest tenderers and the outcome of the consultation into the type of equipment to be installed.

people engaging in anti-social behaviour could be fined if they failed to move on when asked. The Order also included a prohibition on the intentional feeding of gulls.

The Committee supported the proposed new PSPO. In respect of homeless people in the town Members were advised to contact Street Link.

In respect of anti-social behaviour generally it was felt that it would be worthwhile inviting a representative from the town's safer neighbourhood team to a future appropriate meeting.

Recommended

That the proposed new Public Spaces Protection Order – Anti-Social Behaviour, be supported.

45. Grant Applications

The Committee considered various requests for financial assistance.

Recommended

- (1) That the grant application from Parkinson Singing in the sum of £140, be agreed.
- (2) That the grant application from Read Easy in the sum of £699, be agreed.
- (3) That the grant application from the Volunteer Centre, in the sum of £500, be agreed.
- (4) That the grant application from Window Wanderland be delegated to the Deputy Town Clerk following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman following receipt of further information in respect of the costs of the project.

46. Cemetery Matters

The Committee received and noted applications for the design of headstones and inscriptions.

Recommended

That the action of the Town Clerk in approving designs numbered 5249 to 5253 be confirmed and the Register of Memorials be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

47. Municipal Buildings Monitoring Reports

The Committee received the Municipal Buildings monitoring report which included a report by the Deputy Town Clerk on the activity of the Town Hall Keepers over the past two months together with the re-roofing and biomass installation project.

Recommended

That the Buildings Monitoring Reports be noted.

48. **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

Resolved

That in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the following matters the public and press representatives be excluded from this meeting during their discussion.

49. **Sandringham Sports Centre**

In pursuance of Minute No. 38 the Committee considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk on potential access arrangements to Fordington Farmyard.

Recommended

That access be agreed based on the indicative scheme provided and subject to conditions in respect of a Registered Housing Provider and a minimum capital receipt as set out in the report.

Chairman.....

CEMETERIES FEES

Interments

1 Apr 22

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| a) An infant under 2 years or stillborn | Nil |
| b) A person aged 2 years or older | £715 |
| c) A casket of ashes | £195 |

Scattering of ashes

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| a) In a previously used plot or in the Poundbury Pavilion chamber | £64 |
| b) In the Garden of Remembrance | £32 |

Exclusive rights of burial in earthen graves

For an exclusive right for 50 years, including Memorial Rights in an earthen grave:

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| a) Full Sized Plot | £980 |
| End of term Renewal for 25 years | £830 |
| b) Ashes plots and infant under 2 years | £650 |
| End of term Renewal for 25 years | £510 |

Additional Interment, Scattering and Exclusive Rights fees will be charged for

- Non-residents – fee doubled. Residence is defined as living in Dorchester or Winterborne Herringston within previous 10 years or previously resident for at least 25 years.
- Non-standard grave sizes – additional fee to be agreed with the Funeral Director

Monuments, gravestones, tablets and monumental inscriptions

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| Right to erect or place a headstone, footstone, tablet, flat stone, plaque or monument in any other form at any site not subject to Exclusive Right of Burial | £225 |
| Additional inscription on a gravestone or other memorial (for each deceased) | £108 |