

WEST SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the
LEISURE AND AMENITIES MEETING
on **WEDNESDAY 05 JULY 2017 at 6.00pm at WEST SWINDON LIBRARY**

Present:

Cllr Vinay Kumar
Cllr Timothy Makofu
Cllr Nick Martin
Cllr Caryl Sydney Smith
Cllr Matt Walker (Vice Chair)

Officers:

Paula Harrison (Parish Manager)

Public: None

Meeting opened 6.02 pm.

Cllr Matt Walker chaired the meeting.

71. Apologies

Cllr Matthew Courtliff
Cllr Nigel Gibbons
Cllr Ellen Heavens
Cllr Tim Swinyard

72. Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

None

73. Logo Competition (Minute 31)

The Parish Manager reported to Councillors that information about the logo Competition had been distributed to the Link magazine. Information was planned to go to schools for the start of the Autumn term. Councillors discussed the option of a prize or award and agreed that a trophy or cup should be awarded to recognise the achievement.

RESOLVED that the Parish Manager will follow up with West Swindon schools and investigate prices and designs for a trophy/plaque.

74. Noticeboards (Minute 32)

The Parish Manager submitted a report regarding noticeboards within the Parish a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that:

a) The Parish Manager to initiate a metal design for the West Swindon Parish

- b) The Parish Manager to report back to a future meeting more detail on costings, at the identified village centre locations

75. Review of Litter Bins (Minute 33)

The Parish Manager gave a verbal update on the costs associated with litter bins. The Parish Manager indicated that Swindon Borough Council were undertaking an Audit of dog and litter bins in terms of condition and location. Councillors agreed that the type and size of existing bins was not necessarily fit for purpose and some areas would benefit from additional bins.

RESOLVED that:

- a) The Parish Manager to circulate the map showing the location of bins
- b) Members of the Committee would use the map and report back recommendations and observations regarding bin provision to a future meeting
- c) The Parish Manager to investigate sponsorship options and report back to a future meeting of this Committee

76. Belsay Fencing Request

The Parish Manager submitted a report detailing complaints about the condition of a former play area fence at Belsay, Toothill, with a request to the Parish to consider funding a replacement fence. A copy of the report is attached as **Appendix B** in the Minute Book.

Councillors agreed that this was a difficult area of work in terms of responsibilities and liabilities that would normally rest with Swindon Borough Council but agreed that it would be worth undertaking a site visit to better understand the request.

RESOLVED that the Parish Manager and Councillors Makofu and Martin to visit Belsay and report an update to the next meeting.

77. Planting

The Parish Manager asked Councillors to consider how they might wish to spend the budget allocated to planting for the parish. Councillors agreed it would be good to have some type of planting that would have a big impact such as spring bulbs.

RESOLVED: that the Parish Manager initiate requests for designs and costing for spring bulb planting on the arterial roads across West Swindon.

Meeting closed at 6.52 pm.

Signed:
Chair, Leisure and Amenities Committee

Date: