

RECREATION AND PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
30 MAY 2017

Present: Chairman: Councillor Wooldridge

Councillors:	Burton	S Evans	Geddes
	Giraud-Saunders	Johnson	Parsons
	Rowland	Shaw	Wooldridge
	Greenwood		

Officers: Simon Fisher, Deputy Town Clerk
Heather Bond

Members of the Public: One

60. ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Greenwood, seconded by Councillor Godwin and agreed

THAT Councillor Wooldridge is elected as Chairman for 2017/2018,
he took the chair.

61. ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Wooldridge, seconded by Councillor Greenwood and agreed

THAT Councillor Giraud-Saunders is elected as Vice Chairman for
2017/2018.

62. MINUTES

The committee received and noted the report.

63. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Carter.

64. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Wooldridge declared an interest in minute number 75 as President of the Green Lane Allotments Association; he did not leave the Council Chamber.

65. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public was present.

66. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – VENUES INCOME FIGURES

The committee received and noted the report,

67. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – VENUES OCCUPANCY FIGURES & MARKETING INFORMATION

The committee received and noted the report.

68. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – TOWN HALL BOILER

The committee received and noted the report.

69. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – SOUTH WEST IN BLOOM

The committee received and noted the report.

70. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – TOILETS ON THE GREEN

The committee received and noted the report.

71. REPORT FOR DECISION – PRICE INCREASE IN VENUE CHARGES FOR 2018/2019

It was proposed by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Wooldridge and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the committee accepts an increase of 2% in the price of its venues room hire.

72. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – BELVEDERE AND NEWLANDS WOOD

The committee received and noted the report.

73. REPORT FOR DECISION – WOODLAND MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY ORCHARDS AT WINDSOR DRIVE ALLOTMENT SITE.

It was proposed by Councillor Wooldridge, seconded by Councillor Johnson and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the committee agrees that the Devizes and District Allotment Association take on a greater role in managing the existing tree and hedges at the Windsor Drive allotment site and go on to develop a community orchard on the site.

74. REPORT FOR DECISION – APPEAL REGARDING THE PLACING OF FLORAL TRIBUTES AT DEVIZES CEMETERY

It was proposed by Councillor Burton, seconded by Councillor Johnson and agreed

THAT the committee decides to uphold the policy for floral displays on grave spaces and therefore rejects the appeal.

75. FOR DECISION – GREEN LANE ALLOTMENT SITE

It was proposed by Councillor Burton, seconded by Councillor Giraud-Saunders and agreed

THAT the committee allows allotment tenants to bring well behaved dogs on a restricted lead onto allotment sites. However, should a complaint be received, an individual tenant may be refused permission to bring a dog onto any Town Council allotments site and if they fail to comply with this, the Council reserves the right to take back their allotment.

It was proposed by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Shaw and agreed

THAT the allotment gates can remain unlocked, but closed, during the day, but must be locked at the end of the day by the last allotment holder leaving the site.

76. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members.

77. PROCEDURE: CONFIDENTIALITY OF EXEMPT BUSINESS

It was proposed by Councillor Geddes seconded by Councillor Giraud-Saunders and agreed

THAT In view of the confidential nature of the remaining exempt items of business to be considered, this is dealt with In Committee in the absence of the press and members of the public.

CHAIRMAN