

RECREATION AND PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
3 OCTOBER 2017

Present: Chairman: Councillor Wooldridge
Mayor: Councillor Carter

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

Officers: Simon Fisher, Deputy Town Clerk
 Sarah Williams – Direct Service Manager
 Heather Bond

Members of the Public: One

285. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 22 August 2017 having been circulated to all Members were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

286. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Burton, Gay and Shaw.

287. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

288. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

289. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – VENUES INCOME FIGURES

The committee received and noted the report.

290. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – VENUES – CUSTOMER SATISFACTION FEEDBACK, VENUES OCCUPANCY FIGURES & MARKETING REPORT

The committee received and noted the report.

291. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – HILLWORTH PARK CAFÉ

The committee received and noted the report.

292. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – SUPERLOOS

The committee received and noted the report.

293. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The committee received and noted the report.

294. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – CHRISTMAS TREES

The committee received and noted the report.

295. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – GREEN LANE PLAYING FIELD IMPROVEMENTS

The committee received and noted the report.

296. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – GREEN STAT SURVEY RESULTS 2017

The committee received and noted the report.

297. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – SOUTH WEST IN BLOOM

The committee received and noted the report.

298. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – EXCHANGE NIGHTCLUB

The committee received and noted the report.

299. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – TOWN HALL OFFICE COSTS

The committee received and noted the report.

300. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – FIRE RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

The committee received and noted the report.

301. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – PARK CAFÉ PERFORMANCE

The committee received and noted the report.

302. REPORT FOR DECISION – GRASS CUTTING FOR AVON ROAD PLAYING FIELD

Councillor Rose explained the purpose of the report, it was proposed by Councillor Carter, seconded by Councillor Mrs Evans and agreed

THAT the committee defers making a decision until discussions with regard to service levels have been agreed.

303. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members.

304. PROCEDURE: CONFIDENTIALITY OF EXEMPT BUSINESS

It was proposed by Councillor Carter seconded by Councillor Geddes 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.

308. REPORT FOR DECISION – VENUES MARKETING RETAINER

The Direct Services Manager gave a presentation on the work carried out to date by Resolution Design and officers since June 2017.

Both the Direct Services Manager and the Venues/Committee Administrator advised of the historical and challenging pricing structure that is in place and the lack of officer discretion when it comes offering discounts.

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

THAT the committee are happy for the Marketing Retainer to be carried on until the end of November 2017 (6 months).

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

THAT officers are afforded more discretion and flexibility on discounting.

CHAIRMAN