

- L 2826)** It was suggested that Pubwatch may wish to donate the funds for the Horley tables to the Town Council to enable greater purchasing power. After further discussion, the following was resolved:

RESOLVED: that permission be given for four concrete table tennis tables to be installed at sites owned or managed by Horley Town Council (exact locations to be agreed at a later date).

- L 2827** **Approval of Minutes**
Leisure and Amenities Committee, 1 November 2011

The minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee were presented for confirmation by Committee members and signature by the Committee Chairman.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee, including all confidential items, be approved.

- L 2828** **North East Sector Allotments**

The Clerk reported that the trenches were currently being dug for the re-routing of the electricity cables. Tree works would then be carried out, as well as vehicular access arrangements to the Riverside Green Chain.

RESOLVED: noted.

Churchyards Committee

- L 2829** ***RESOLVED: that payment of the fourth instalment of the Churchyards Maintenance Grant (£3,375) be approved.***

- L 2830** The Clerk told members that Revd Steve Davie was shortly to leave Horley to take up a new post in Bradford. He added that Mr Frank McNamara had also stepped down from his post as Chairman of the Churchyards Committee, at the end of 2011. He said that, for the time being, Mrs Ann Golding, the Parish Office Manager, would be the lead person on all Churchyard matters, until a successor to Revd Davie was appointed.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 2831** The Clerk reported receipt of correspondence from Revd Steve Davie, suggesting that a meeting take place with the Parish Treasurer and Manager of the Parish Office to have an initial discussion about a review of the Churchyards Maintenance Contract. He added that Cllr Powell would also be present at the meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

Grounds Maintenance Report

- L 2832** The Clerk reported that works were currently being carried out as part of the Winter Programme. He added that some litter issues had been revealed after leaves had fallen from trees and shrubs. It was noted that the incidence of graffiti on the former Michael Crescent Scout Hut had

- L 2832) increased. Cllr Stimpson remarked that shrubs in the Ornamental Gardens required pruning and added that some of the rhododendrons did not appear to be in very good condition. The Deputy Clerk agreed to raise these points with the Regional Manager of Countrywide Grounds Maintenance.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 2833 The Clerk reported that both the annual amount paid to the Borough Council for the original Grounds Maintenance Contract and the annual amount paid to the Town Council under the Agency Agreement would be increased for 2012 by the RPI increase for December 2011. He added that this should be known by mid-January. (Subsequently confirmed as 4.8%.)

RESOLVED: noted.

Playgrounds

- L 2834 **RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's detailed weekly and daily visual playground inspection reports.**

- L 2835 Members were updated on recent playground repairs.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 2836 Members considered the annual inspection reports, following the inspections carried out by the Play Inspection Company. It was noted that only low risk or very low risk faults had been identified. Cllr George remarked that there was a recommendation in the report that consideration be given to installing a second gate at the Michael Crescent Playground. It was noted that this was the first time that such a suggestion had been made.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 2837 **RESOLVED: that payment of £255 plus VAT to the Play Inspection Company for carrying out the annual inspections be approved.**

- L 2838 **Charges for Allotment Rental at Church Road Allotments – 2012 / 2013**

RESOLVED: that the following charges be approved:

Full Plot (125 sq m) - £25 per annum

Half Plot (67.5 sq m) - £15 per annum

- L 2839 **Charges for Football Pitch Hire – August 2012 – May 2013**

RESOLVED: that the following charges be approved:

Regular Hirers, per match	£54
Regular Junior Teams with Changing Rooms	£33
Regular Junior Teams without Changing Rooms	£26
Casual Hirers, per match	£70 plus VAT
Casual Junior Teams with Changing Rooms	£33 plus VAT
Casual Junior Teams without Changing Rooms	£26 plus VAT
Evening Training without Changing Rooms	£29 plus VAT

L 2840 Town Council Charges – 2013 / 2014

RESOLVED: that these be agreed in October 2012.

L 2841 Improvements to Skate Park

Members were updated on progress made. The Deputy Clerk explained that some quotations had been received for either leasing new equipment or purchasing equipment by instalments. She added that, if possible, concrete equipment would be preferable.

RESOLVED: that further quotations be sought for consideration, if possible, by the April meeting of this Committee.

Horley Recreation Ground – Repairs to Fencing

L 2842 *RESOLVED: that the quotation from A Bennett & Sons to carry out repairs to the boundary between the Recreation Ground and the Tennis Club and the Catholic Church, for the sum of £475.50 plus VAT, be approved.*

L 2843 *RESOLVED: that consideration be given to planting quickthorn hedging along the boundary.*

L 2844 Horley Bowling Club – Request for Signage

RESOLVED: that permission be granted to the Club to install an information sign to the rear of the park railings, subject to any planning constraints which may apply. (The Club to be responsible for all costs involved.)

L 2845 Riverside Garden Park

The Deputy Clerk reported that she had attended several site meetings at Riverside with representatives of the Borough Council, Gatwick Greenspace and the Piscatorial Society, following which it had been agreed to employ J King & Son to clear the area around the lake, the costs being split between the Town and Borough Councils. It had also been agreed that the Piscatorial Society only cut down branches with the prior approval of this Council.

RESOLVED: that payment of £775 plus VAT to J King & Son for clearance work at Riverside Garden Park be approved.

L 2846 Church Meadows – Request for Memorial Bench

The Deputy Clerk told members that some local residents had sought permission to have a bench installed at Church Meadows in memory of their teenage daughter, who had died suddenly. She added that she had suggested a suitable supplier to the residents and the Borough Council had subsequently installed the bench, plus a litter bin, free of charge.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2847 New Horley Leisure Centre

All members that had attended the recent tour agreed that the new Centre was very impressive.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2848 Horley Anderson Centre / Innes Pavilion Division

The Clerk reported that the formal 30 days' notice of the commencement of works had now been received and work was due to commence on 6 February.

RESOLVED: noted.

Tree Works

L 2849 RESOLVED: that payment of £90 plus VAT to Broadleaf Tree Services for the removal of a broken tree limb at Church Meadows be approved. (Works forming part of Agency Agreement)

L 2850 RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of a survey of trees at Horley Recreation Ground, which had been undertaken, free of charge, by the Borough Council's Tree and Woodlands Officer.

L 2851 Gatwick Greenspace Partnership (GGP)

Cllr George updated members on recent meetings and changes. He explained that future meetings would be attended jointly by officers and members, thus reducing the number of meetings required. He told members that Pete Crawford was now only working for GGP on one day per week and added that a second full time officer was to be employed. Cllr George also told members that it was hoped to extend the Forest Schools Scheme into Surrey.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2852 The Clerk told members that Pete Crawford would be giving a presentation to members on the Riverside Green Chain at a future meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

Horley Open Spaces Advisory Committee

L 2853 It was noted that Ian Wright, the Borough Council's Countryside Manager was now attending the Advisory Committee meetings

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of notes of the meeting held on 9 December 2011. (A copy is appended to these minutes.)

L 2854 Horley in Bloom (HIB)

It was noted that the HIB Committee was due to meet on 17 January.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2855 South & South East in Bloom (SSEIB)

RESOLVED: that Horley Town Council enter the Town Centre and Park of the Year categories of the 2012 competition, for the total sum of £140 (no increase from last year).

L 2856 Horley Saturday Market

The Clerk reported that the Market Sub-Committee had met in November and would be meeting again on 13 January.

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of minutes of the meeting of the Market Sub-Committee held on 13 January 2012. (A copy is appended to these minutes.

L 2857 Horley Jubilee Fun Day, 4 June 2012 (“A Right Royal Knees Up!”)

It was noted that the Organising Committee was due to meet later this month. It was hoped that Borough Councillors would provide funding from their Councillors’ Community Award Scheme. County Councillors would also be providing funding. It had also been confirmed that there would be a Police presence on the day.

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the notes of the meeting held on 13 December 2012, a copy of which is appended to these minutes.

L 2858 Gatwick Airport Community Trust – Grant Applications

It was noted that the deadline for the receipt of grant applications was 12 March 2012.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2859 Town Centre Litter Bins

The Clerk told members that concerns about the removal of two town centre litter bins had been raised with the Borough Council’s Streetscene Manager.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 2860 Letters

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the December News Release from the Surrey Royal British Legion.

L 2861 Diary Dates

RESOLVED: that forthcoming events, in particular the Mayor’s Charitable Curry Evening on 10 March and Charity Swimathon on 28 April be noted.

L 2862 Urgent Business – Corporate Plan 2012 - 2016

RESOLVED: that proposals for the Plan be formulated at the next meeting of this Committee.

