

L 3938) *RESOLVED: noted.*

L 3939 Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

RESOLVED: noted.

**L 3940 Approval of Minutes
Leisure and Amenities Committee, 19 April 2016**

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 3941 Appointments to Sub-Committees and Outside Bodies

RESOLVED: that the appointments be approved (Details are appended to the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 17 May 2016.)

L 3942 Horley Churchyards

The Clerk advised that the next meeting of the Committee was due to be held on 1 June. (Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 March are appended.)

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3943 Grounds Maintenance Update

Members were updated on recent meetings with the Burleys Area Manager, notes of which are appended.

RESOLVED: noted.

Inspections and repairs

L 3944 *RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's detailed weekly and daily visual playground inspection reports.*

L 3945 *RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's monthly Grounds Inspections*

L 3946 *RESOLVED: that Bennetts be requested to replace the missing toddler swing seat at Court Lodge Playground.*

L 3947 Members' Inspections of Recreation Grounds

RESOLVED: that these be carried out as follows:

Cllr James Baker – Horley Recreation Ground

Cllr Mike George – Court Lodge Fields and Riverside Walk

Cllr Fiona Stimpson – Riverside Garden Park

Cllrs Samantha and Valerie Marshall – Emlyn Meadows and Bay Close

Cllr Simon Marshall – Michael Crescent Centenary Park

Cllr Kevin Etheridge – Yattendon Rec Ground and Langshott Allotments

Cllr Henry Randall – Church Meadows and Church Road Allotments

L 3948 Possible Provision of Café, Horley Recreation Ground

Members considered the fee proposal from Paul Tanner of Trevlyn Tanner Architects for developing the Feasibility Design and preparing a Preliminary Cost Plan (including work by a Quantity Surveyor). The Clerk advised that, to date, costs of £5,070 had been incurred for the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Feasibility Studies and survey of preferred location. Several members expressed the view that, as well as the excessive cost, the design of the café at Redhill Memorial Park (predominantly glass) would not necessarily be appropriate for Horley Recreation Ground. Members were invited to put forward other possible design ideas for consideration at a future meeting.

RESOLVED: that the matter be re-considered at the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee

L 3949 Replacement Skate Park, Horley Recreation Ground

The Clerk explained that tenders were currently being sought for the skate park via the Government Contracts Finder website, for a fixed price of £85,000 plus VAT. The closing date for the receipt of tenders was Friday 3 June.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3950 Visit by Funfair

Members were advised that there had been no adverse comments from nearby residents regarding the recent two week visit by Beach's Funfair. Some reinstatement of grassed areas was likely to be required, any costs being met by Jimmy Beach. The funfair would be in attendance at the Carnival in June and may make a further visit towards the end of September.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3951 Litter Bin at Horley Recreation Ground

Members considered a quotation from Burleys to supply and install a Phoenix litter bin for £538 plus VAT. Members requested that a breakdown of the costs be sought, as they believed that it might be possible to purchase the bin at a cheaper price.

RESOLVED: that Burleys be requested to provide further information.

L 3952 Court Lodge Fields – Boundary with Raven Housing owned Land

The Deputy Clerk advised that the Borough Council's Senior Asset Manager was of the opinion that it may be the responsibility of the Town Council to install some form of boundary marking, as she understood that the lease between the Borough and Town Councils was an FRI (Full Repairing and Insuring) Lease, which usually meant that full responsibility was with the tenant. Further information was being sought.

RESOLVED: noted.

Junior Mini Pitches at Court Lodge Fields

L 3953 ***RESOLVED: that the quotation from Burleys to backfill the existing goal sockets on Pitch 4, supply and install four new goal sockets and reduce the existing goal posts for 9v9 use (total cost, £794 plus VAT) be approved***

L 3954 The Clerk added that the cost for regularly over-marking a senior pitch to provide two 7 v 7 pitches was still awaited.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3955 Allotments – Fee for Termination of Tenancy

RESOLVED: that a full refund be given where a tenancy is relinquished within one month of its renewal, thereafter a minimum charge of £10 to apply. (No refund to be given beyond six months of tenancy.)

L 3956 Horley Conservation Group (HCG)

Members were updated on recent HCG activities.

RESOLVED: noted.

Environment Matters

- L 3957** It was noted that Cllrs Powell and Baker, assisted by Richard Bethell, had recently sprayed the Himalayan Balsam plants on the Town Council side of the River Mole from the bridge by Church Meadows to Court Lodge Fields. Cllr Baker added that there would be a second visit in mid-June and any plants remaining would be pulled up at a later date. He said that the density of the plants was not as great this year and confirmed that the volume of pesticide used was very small.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 3958** The Deputy Clerk told members that Cllr Powell had advised prior to the meeting that Specialist Group International would be removing the blockage in the Burstow Stream in early June.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 3959** **Horley Open Spaces Advisory Committee (HOSAC)**

Members were advised that the date of the next meeting of the HOSAC Committee had been changed and it would now take place on 12 July. (Notes of the previous HOSAC meeting are appended).

RESOLVED: noted

- L 3960** **Horley in Bloom (HIB)**

Members were advised that the Borough Deputy Mayor would be attending the HIB Awards Evening to help present the prizes as Borough Mayor Cllr Powell had another important engagement which he was required to attend that evening.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 3961** **Horley in Bloom Photographic Competition**

It was noted that a sponsor was still being sought for this year's competition.

RESOLVED: noted.

- L 3962** **South & South East in Bloom**

Members were reminded that the judging of the Town Centre and Horley Recreation Ground would take place on the morning of Wednesday 13 July.

L 3962) **RESOLVED: noted.**

Summer Planting

L 3963 The Deputy Clerk advised that sponsorship to date for the town centre flowers totalled £1,050.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3964 **RESOLVED: that Amethyst Horticulture water the seasonal beds in the Memorial Gardens at a cost of £50 per visit.**

L 3965 **Horley Saturday Market**

The Clerk advised that there was no update regarding possible Business Rates.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3966 **Horley Carnival, 18 June 2016**

Members were updated on recent meetings.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3967 **Diary Dates**

RESOLVED: that forthcoming events be noted, in particular the Horley Carnival on 18 June and the HATs Christmas Fayre on 10 December.

L 3968 **Confidential Business**

RESOLVED: that, "in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw."

L 3969 **Tree Works at Horley Recreation Ground** **CONFIDENTIAL**

Members considered quotations received. Heatherlands Tree Care was subsequently appointed to carry out the work.

The meeting closed at 9.08 pm

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12 July 2016

Leisure & Amenities Committee, 24 May 2016

L 3969 Tree Works at Horley Recreation Ground

Members considered quotations received for the medium and high priority tree works, as recently identified in the Tree Survey carried out by Burleys. The Clerk advised that Excelsior Tree Services had quoted £5,100 to carry out the work and the Burleys quotation based on an inclusive hourly rate of £120 plus VAT was very similar.

RESOLVED: that a further quotation be sought and a contractor be appointed, following discussion between the Clerk and Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

(Afternote: a further quotation of £2,500 was subsequently received from Heatherlands Tree Care and this company was appointed to carry out the work.)