

L 3264 Damage to Table Tennis Tables

The Clerk explained that examination of CCTV footage had revealed that the damage to the table tennis tables had been caused by youngsters managing to lift the tables up and down and also by jumping onto the tables with bikes. He added that the CCTV footage had been made available to the local Police and would also be made available to Oakwood School. Cllr Powell added that he had spoken with a local contractor, who believed that the tables required additional strengthening to prevent further vandalism. The Deputy Clerk told members that she had received details of a concrete table tennis table produced by a different manufacturer, which appeared to be more robust. After further discussion, the following was resolved:

RESOLVED: that costings for various options be sought and the matter be considered at a future meeting.

**L 3265 Approval of Minutes
Leisure and Amenities Committee, 16 July 2013**

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 3266 Fitness Classes, Horley Recreation Ground

The Deputy Clerk reported that, following discussion with the Borough Council's Head of Parking, Parks and Countryside, regarding charges levied for such classes, a charge of £20 per month had been agreed with the Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The fitness instructor had been informed of this and would pay the charge once the classes started.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3267 Horley Churchyards

It was noted that the last meeting of the Churchyards Committee had been held immediately prior to the Members' annual tour of the Churchyards. The Clerk explained that the Team Rector, Rev Calvert Prentis, had arranged a series of Community working parties to help improve the appearance of the Churchyards. Cllr Powell stressed the need for the specification of future Grounds Maintenance Contracts to be improved and suggested that an Output Contract would be preferable, based upon grass length, rather than frequency of cuts. It was noted that discussion still had to take place with other local Churches regarding their possible contributions towards the upkeep of the Churchyards.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3268 Grounds Maintenance Report

Members were updated on the recent meeting held with the Grounds Maintenance Area Manager, where it had been stressed that the post-season reinstatement of the football pitches needed to be carried out at the earliest opportunity, to achieve the best results. It was noted that some repair works may be carried out during the closed Christmas period, if weather conditions permitted. The Clerk added that he had reminded Borough Council Officers of the importance of keeping the height barrier locked and the bollard in place. It was also noted that the Borough Council had agreed to fund the cost of replacement Five-a-Side goal posts at Yattendon Road Recreation Ground

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3269 Playground Inspections

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

L 3270 Horley Recreation Ground – Request for Toilet Facilities

The Deputy Clerk reported that the Secretary of Horley Bowling Club had enquired whether the Town Council had any plans to install permanent toilet facilities at the Recreation Ground. She added that she had replied that this would not be possible, due to excessive costs and vandalism issues. She said that she had, however, pointed out that toilets were always provided for major events such as the Funfair, Circus and Carnival.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3271 Funfair, Horley Recreation Ground

It was noted that Doug Beach would be bringing his funfair to the Recreation Ground, during the week commencing 23 September and would pay the Town Council £1,200.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3272 Circus, Horley Recreation Ground

RESOLVED: that, subject to agreement from the local Police, Circus World Entertainments be given permission to bring their Circus to Horley Recreation Ground during the week commencing 31 August 2014.

L 3273 Bay Close Open Space

It was noted that a site meeting had taken place, to agree the exact position of the goal posts.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3274 Riverside Garden Park – Introduction of Parking Restrictions

The Clerk reported that Parking Restrictions were soon to be introduced at Riverside, with a three hour maximum stay. Parking would still be free but would be monitored by Enforcement Officers. Members of the Piscatorial would be provided with permits to display in their cars.

RESOLVED: *noted.*

L 3275 Himalayan Balsam (HB) Action Plan

It was noted that Kevin Lerwill of the Gatwick Greenspace Partnership was keen to arrange a meeting at the Albert Rooms, involving The Mole Valley Catchment Organisation and Surrey Wildlife Trust, to co-ordinate actions for next year. Cllr Powell added that he planned to seek permission from Surrey County Council to treat the opposite bank of the River Mole, as the farmers who were believed to lease the land from the County Council were unwilling to let the areas of Himalayan Balsam be treated. It was noted that Borough and County Councillors had given total funding of £900 towards the HB Project.

RESOLVED: *noted.*

L 3276 Horley Open Spaces Advisory Committee (HOSAC)

RESOLVED: *that minutes of the meeting held in July and the one held earlier this evening be received. (Copies are appended.)*

L 3277 Horley in Bloom (HIB)

Cllr George reminded members that the HIB Awards Ceremony was due to take place at Regent Hall on 27 September and would include presentations to winners of Court Lodge in Colour, Horley Flower Club and the new Photographic Competition, sponsored by Barratt Homes. He added that the entries in the Photographic Competition were to be displayed at the Barratt Show House for two weeks and a Drinks Reception was to be held there for the entrants this week.

RESOLVED: *noted.*

L 3278 South & South East in Bloom (SSEIB)

Members were reminded that the SSEIB Awards Ceremony was due to take place the following day. The Deputy Clerk added that, in the Schools section, Charlwood Village Infant School and Langshott School had both received Silver Awards and Horley Infant School had received a Silver Gilt Award.

RESOLVED: *noted.*

L 3279 Horley Saturday Market

Nothing was reported.

RESOLVED: *noted.*

Charges for Allotments 2014 / 2015

L 3280 **RESOLVED:** that charges for Church Road Allotments be approved as follows:

i) Annual charge for full plot (125 sq m): £45

ii) Annual charge for half plot (62.5 sq m): £30

L 3281 **RESOLVED:** that charges for Langshott Allotments be approved as follows:

Annual Charge for full plot (62.5 sq m): £30 plus £15 registration for keys etc.

L 3282 **Langshott Allotments**

The Clerk reported that the plots had been pegged out and added that there were seventy plots, each of 62.5 sq m. The grass paths had still to be laid and the legal handover of the land from Barratt Homes was awaited.

RESOLVED: noted.

Church Road Allotments

L 3283 The Clerk reported that further investigation had revealed that the quotation for fencing repairs from J King & Son had allowed for Class 4 Posts, which had a lifetime guarantee of at least 15 years.

RESOLVED: that J King & Son be appointed to carry out the fencing repair work at Church Road Allotments for the total sum of £1,100 plus VAT.

L 3284 The Deputy Clerk reported that an allotment holder had volunteered to maintain Plot 38, which was obscured by a large oak tree, as a conservation area.

RESOLVED: that the offer be accepted.

L 3285 **Highways Localism Initiative**

Members considered the Initiative, which had been referred for consideration by this Committee.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk and Committee Chairman draw up a list of possible initiatives for consideration.

L 3286 **Community Safety Fund –
CCTV Enhancements and Repairs, Court Lodge Fields**

The Clerk reported that the application to the Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Safety Fund had been approved and £3,500 had been awarded.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3287 **Diary Dates**

RESOLVED: that forthcoming events be noted, in particular the Horley in Bloom Awards Evening on 27 September 2013.

L 3288 **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 3289 **Charges for the use of Football Pitches at Court Lodge Fields –**
L 3290 **2014/2015 Season** **CONFIDENTIAL**

Members made an initial assessment of charges to be levied, for Precept purposes.

L 3291 **Estimates & Precept 2014 / 2015** **CONFIDENTIAL**
L 3292

Members made an initial assessment of some of this Committee's requirements.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Date of next meeting: 5 November 2013