

L 3907 Horley Churchyards

Members were updated on recent meetings.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3908 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 3909 *RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's detailed weekly and daily visual playground inspection reports.*

L 3910 The Clerk advised that, following the recommendation of the Internal Auditor, monthly formal inspections were to be carried out of the grounds owned/managed by the Town Council. Bennetts had been appointed to carry out the task at a cost of £150 plus VAT per month.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3911 Possible Provision of Café/Toilet Facilities, Horley Recreation Ground

The Clerk updated members on a further meeting with Paul Tanner of Trevlyn Tanner Architects Ltd. Budget costs for the building appeared much higher than anticipated. Costs were awaited for Phase Two work, which would include developing the Feasibility Design and preparing a Preliminary Cost Plan (including work by a Quantity Surveyor). Mr Tanner would explore construction and costing options with a view to seeing how costs might be reduced.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3912 Refurbishment of Skate Park, Horley Recreation Ground

The Clerk explained that he was about to formally advertise the skate park tender on the Government Contracts Finder website, for a guideline price of £85,000 plus VAT. Site meetings would be held with interested contractors and it was hoped that the new skate park would be installed later this year.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3913 Visit by Funfair

The Deputy Clerk advised that Beach's Funfair was due to arrive at Horley Recreation Ground, week commencing 9 May and would be leaving on 23 May. The funfair would be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday each week and a fee of £2,000 was to be charged.

RESOLVED: that a formal letter be sent to Jimmy Beach, detailing the Town Council's terms and conditions for the hire of the Recreation Ground

L 3914 Safety Surfacing at Horley Recreation Ground Playground

It was noted that, following the recent heavy rainfall, the centre of the playground had become very muddy. The Deputy Clerk planned to meet on site with contractors to consider possible options which might be implemented before the following winter.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3915 Court Lodge Fields – Boundary with Raven Housing owned Land

The Deputy Clerk told members that a response had been received from the Town Council's Solicitor regarding the boundary with Raven Housing owned land. The Solicitor referred to the obligations on the Borough Council as Landlord to erect and maintain fences along the boundary points and could see no reason why the Town Council should be involved in any boundary dispute. The Borough Council's Senior Asset Manager had been made aware of the response, as well as a suggestion being made that stone boundary markers be installed.

RESOLVED: noted.

Football at Court Lodge Fields

L 3916 The Clerk advised that costings were awaited from Burleys for the possible conversion of Pitch 4 to a 9 v 9 pitch, as well as the regular over-marking of a senior pitch to provide two 7 v 7 pitches.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3917 ***RESOLVED: that charges for football pitch hire from August 2016 be considered at the Annual Council Meeting on 17 May.***

L 3918 Church Road Allotments

It was noted that there were six new tenants at the site.

L 3918) *RESOLVED: noted.*

L 3919 Langshott Allotments

The Clerk advised that work on the permanent toilet building had commenced, although there would be a delay before water and electricity could be supplied. The field gates had been damaged beyond repair and required urgent replacement, as well as a large number of boundary fencing panels. There were still issues with the operation of some of the stand pipes, which would hopefully be resolved when the new water supply was brought into the site. The Clerk added that he was regularly meeting the Barratts Site Manager at the allotments.

RESOLVED: noted.

Tree Works

L 3920 *RESOLVED: that Burleys be appointed to carry out a survey of trees at all Town Council sites, for the sum of £783 plus VAT.*

L 3921 *RESOLVED: that Burleys be appointed to fell a damaged tree in the Horley Rec Playground for the sum of £894 plus VAT.*

L 3922 Horley Conservation Group (HCG)

Members were updated on recent HCG activities.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3923 Environment Matters

It was noted that the Environment Agency Agreement for the use of herbicides near water had been received and that the spraying of the Himalayan Balsam plants would take place towards the end of May.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3924 Horley Open Spaces Advisory Committee (HOSAC)

Members were updated on the meeting held earlier. It was noted that a Borough Council representative would be regularly attending the meetings to give updates on the open spaces in Horley which were no longer managed by the Town Council.

RESOLVED: noted

L 3925 Wild Flower Meadows

RESOLVED: that the quotation from Burleys to rotovate the areas for the wildflower meadows and sow the wild flower seed (£555 plus VAT) be approved.

L 3926 Horley in Bloom

Members were updated on recent meetings, notes of which are appended.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3927 Horley in Spring

It was noted that the judging of the competition was due to take place the following day.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3928 South & South East in Bloom

It was noted that the judging of the Town Centre and Horley Recreation Ground would take place on the morning of Wednesday 13 July.

RESOLVED: noted.

Summer Planting

L 3929 ***RESOLVED: that the quotation from Burleys to provide and plant bedding plants for the Memorial Gardens (red Geraniums, red Begonia Dragon Wings and blue & white Salvia) for the total sum of £1,087 plus VAT be approved.***

L 3930 The Deputy Clerk advised that Waitrose had agreed to donate plants to the value of £50 to the residents responsible for “Q Garden, the tiered flower bed at the junction of Russells Crescent and The Drive.

RESOLVED: that this Council, using the Power of Well Being, make a contribution of £100 towards planting costs at the “Q Garden” flower bed, maintained by local residents.

L 3931 Grant Applications

Receipt was noted of information regarding the Surrey County Council Community Improvements and Local Centre Improvement Funds and the second round of the Tesco Bags of Help Scheme.

L 3931) *RESOLVED: noted.*

L 3932 **Horley Saturday Market**

Members were advised that Business Rates may be applied to the use of the High Street car park for the Saturday Market, which would make the market no longer viable longer term if the Town Council had to pay the costs involved.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3933 **Horley Carnival, 18 June 2016**

Members were updated on recent meetings.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 3934 **Diary Dates**

RESOLVED: that forthcoming events be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 24 May 2016