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LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING 6 SEPTEMBER 2016

PRESENT

Councillor (Mrs) L Vardy (In the Chair)

Councillor: C A Adams
P L Adams
A Bishop
(Mrs) J H Bishop
(Mrs) J Clark
G Edwards
N Gardiner
(Mrs) A H Livall
(Mrs) M R Penny
(Mrs) P M Webster
S Weisinger

IN ATTENDANCE

7 Members of the Public.

APOLOGIES

15. Councillors (Mrs) A M Durrant



Highworth is a Fair Trade Town



Twinned with Wassenberg



Twinned with Pontorson

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

16. None.

HIGHWORTH FESTIVAL 2016 - HIGH STREET TIDY UP

17. Councillors agreed to send a letter to the occupier of a property on the High Street to request that it be cleaned up before the Highworth Festival.

STREET CLEANING/MOWING

18. The team has just started the ninth cut of the year and is up to date with the strimming. Work at the cemetery is up to date and the Beds and Border work is underway. Our grounds men have been unable to undertake any weed-killing this season because of the wet and windy weather.

The team is looking towards the autumn and winter jobs of shrub and hedge cutting. This job has increased since the original agreement and it is necessary to invest in a suitable vehicle for the job - including removal of the waste.

Resolved by Councillor S Weisinger and seconded by Councillor (Mrs) P Webster that a hire purchase arrangement be used to purchase a box tipper style van. 11 Councillors voted in favour and one abstained.

SKATEBOARD PARK REPORT

19. Councillor P Adams. She reported that the skaterboarders are currently looking for sponsorship and carrying out surveys. An estimate of £80k has been received to carry out the works necessary. The preferred site is the Lower Rec. The Committee is to speak with Bowls Club to discover if they can agree on usage of the area considering the plans presented by the Bowls Club. It was agreed that all members of the group be invited to every meeting and that the skateboard park will be an agenda item on the next planning meeting.

MEMORIAL BENCH IN HIGH STREET - RAFU

20. Councillors gave their full support to a memorial bench being placed outside Rafu's restaurant.

CORRESPONDENCE

21. None.

MEMBERS' BUSINESS

22. a. Councillor S Weisinger. He told the Council of a new initiative "Public Service Convenience Orders" similar to ASBO's which can be used in areas where littering is a problem.
- b. Councillor (Mrs) A Livall. She pointed out that it is the job of a Councillor to ask questions but not to micro manage.
- c. Councillor N Gardiner. He told the Council that the Co-op had made a significant grant to the Community Clean Up group and that the group is trying to engage younger people in the battle against littering.

Meeting closed at 8.59 pm.