

Penkridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting
held on 23rd January 2020 at 8.30 pm - Haling Dene Centre

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with the inclusion of confidential matters.

Present

Councillor Mrs Vivienne Smith [Chairman]
“ Victor Kelly [Vice-Chairman]
“ Ms Gail Ballance
“ John Eastwood
“ Mrs Petula M C Hughes
“ Andrew Lenz
“ Calvert Stonehouse
“ Alan Smallwood

In attendance were Cllrs Mrs Isabel Ford, Gordon Hawkins, Antony Minshall, David Oldfield and
Mrs Helen Sutton

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

Part I Public Session

1391. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cllr Andrew Adams.

1392. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

1393. MINUTES

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting of 24th October 2019 be approved as a true and correct record and
be signed by the Chairman.

1394. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Item 1386 [d] – Councillors were advised that there had been no areas put forward for road
sweeping.

It was agreed that Councillors submit roads to be swept to the PA before the end of January and
these would be forwarded to SSC.

1395. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

[a] The Recreation and Amenities printouts for the year to date were received.

[b] The Burial Ground printouts for the year to date were received.

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1396. PLAY AREAS

It was noted that a new seat had been purchased for the Heron Play Area Cableway at a cost of
£254 from Jupiter Play.

1397. LIBRARY

[a] The Committee approved a till float of £50 for Penkridge Library.

Resolved that the Library till float be increased to £50.00.

1398. TRADITIONAL VICTORIAN FAYRE

- [a] The Chairman's report was received on the above held on 7th December 2019.
- [b] Consideration was given to if the Committee wished to hold a Traditional Victorian Fayre in 2020.
Resolved that a Victorian Fayre be held on Saturday 5th December 2020.
- [c] If the Committee agreed to the above consideration was given to having a Working Group to formalise the details,
Resolved that a Working Group be formed and the first meeting be 27th February at 7.00 pm.

Burial Ground

1399. CLOSED CHURCHYARDS

- [a] An email was received dated 14th November from South Staffordshire Council's Street Scene Team with regard to the above.
Resolved that additional information be obtained and this item be placed on the March agenda.

1400. BURIAL GROUND TABLE OF FEES

Consideration was given to an Additional Fee for the Funeral Directors/Stone Masons for 'Not Complying with the Rules and Regulations' at £120.

Resolved that an additional fee of £250 be incorporated into the Table of Fees.

1401. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 5th March 2020 at 7.00 pm.

1402. Local Government Act 1972 - Exclusion of Press and Public - to resolve that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph(s) Section 1[2] Public Bodies/Admission to meetings Act 1960.

Part II Private Session

1403. GROUNDS MAINTNENACE TENDERS

Consideration was given to the above for the Village, Opens Spaces and Burial Ground.

Resolved that:

- [i] The Grass Cutting Contract be awarded to Trent Grounds Maintenance at a cost per year to the Recreation and Amenities budget of £2,803.
- [ii] The Grass Cutting Contract be awarded to Trent Grounds Maintenance at a cost per year to the Burial Ground of £2,521.
- [iii] The Horticultural and Planting Contracts be awarded to Stafford Borough Council at a cost per year to the Recreation and Amenities budget of £14,764.
- [iv] The Horticultural and Planting Contracts be awarded to Stafford Borough Council at a cost per year to the Burial Ground budget of £3,351.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm

Chair: _____

Date: _____