

Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council
Minutes of Meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Cowbridge Town Hall,
on Monday 8th January 2007 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman – Councillor A Williams
Vice Chairman – Councillor D W Morris
Mayor – Councillor Mrs L Adams
Councillors - A E Banks and Mrs A Burges.

In Attendance:
Town Clerk - Andrew Davies.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.
Councillor Mrs M Arnold, Mrs G Baty and H Ll Morgan

Item 2: Declarations of interests.
None.

Item 3: Matters arising from the Committee meeting held on 4th December 2006.
No matters arising.

Item 4: Matters arising from the Full Council meeting held on 19th December 2006.
No matters arising.

Item 5: Playground Equipment Maintenance Report.
The report was circulated to members and all equipment is safe to use.

Item 6: Amenities Supervisor's Report.
The Town Clerk gave the report:
Limes cemetery: clearance of rubbish on the boundary with the school and clear leaves from the paths. As the result of the continuing growth of the grass an extra cut of the grass has been carried out.

Item 7: Rolling Programme 2006/2007
7.1 Limes Cemetery
i) Boundaries
A meeting has been arranged at Y Bont Faen Primary school on Tuesday 16th January at 10am boundary with the cemetery. The Mayor, Chairman and Vice chairman of Leisure and Amenities Committee and Town Clerk will attend.

ii) Sewer
A meeting between the Legal Department and the engineering design officer at the Vale of Glamorgan Council is scheduled for the 19th January 2007 to discuss the sewer.

7.2 Holy Cross Church Yard.
Work at Holy Cross Church yard is due to commence next week after the Christmas break.

7.3 Southgate Park
No matters arising.

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Item 7: Rolling Programme 2006/2007 (continued)

7.4 Llanblethian Playing Fields.
No matters arising.

Item 8: Consideration of 'A Good Practice Guide for Community and Town Councils'. (Item 11 Full Council 19/12/06 refers)

Recommended to Full Council that there should be investigation to explore the possibility of taking over responsibility for maintenance of the park and woodland areas in town, which are currently in the ownership of the Vale of Glamorgan Council. This might involve partnership with a voluntary body. This would only be feasible if sufficient funds were forthcoming and might enable maintenance to be carried out to a more desirable standard.

It was emphasized that appropriate funding would have to be guaranteed.

Item 10: Correspondence.

10.1 To consider the letter received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council in connection with C.A.S.H. Grant applications. Applications should be submitted by 30th March 2007.

Noted.

Agreed that this should be an agenda item for the next committee meeting to allow members to put forward suggestions for a grant application to be made.

10.2 To note a letter received from the Chairman of the Cowbridge Allotment Association advising that a lower quotation has been received for the additional shed and that this will be proceeded with.

Noted.

10.3 Play for Wales – Winter 2006 Publication.

Noted.

10.4 To note the letter received from Anstee Landscapes and Tree Felling Contractors Ltd. The letter advised that after carrying out a visual inspection of the two willow trees in Southgate Park, Mr Anstee is of the opinion that the trees should be removed because of their close proximity to the boundary with the adjoining property and that the Willow is a variety of tree which is notorious for causing structural defect and drain intrusion is quite common.

Noted.

On the basis of the report and the previous observations made by the tree officer at the Vale of Glamorgan Council, application will be submitted for the trees to be removed.

10.5 To approve an application for a memorial on Cremation Plot B20.

Approved.

Item 11: Matters to be discussed at the discretion of the Chairman.

None.

Item 12: Date and time of next Meeting.

Monday 8th February 2007 at 7.00pm.

Councillor A Williams

Chairman.