

Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council
Minutes of Meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Cowbridge Town Hall,
on Monday 2nd March 2009 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman – Councillor Mrs M Arnold
Vice Chairman – Councillor Mrs A Burges
Mayor - Councillor D W Morris
Deputy Mayor – Councillor J R Harris
Councillors: A E Banks, Mrs G Baty and Mrs N C Thomas.

In Attendance: Administration Assistant – Mrs Jackie Griffin

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.

Councillor A Williams.
Mr A Davies – Town Clerk.

Item 2: Declarations of interests.

None.

Item 3: Matters arising from the Committee meeting held on 2nd February 2009.

Item 3 – Bus Shelter on Cardiff Road – to be checked to ascertain if the timetable has been updated.

Item 9.1 – Purchase of bench for Llanblethian Playing Fields – committee requested a number of quotes are obtained from other suppliers.

Item 4: Matters arising from the Full Council meeting held on 17th February 2009.

No matters arising.

Item 5: Playground Equipment Maintenance Report.

The report was circulated to the members of the committee and all equipment was shown to be safe to use.

The following items require attention:

- Moss on the surface - obtain an estimate for replacing the play surface with that used in the Twt Play Park.
- Removal of stones at the end of the slide run out.
- Junior Slide in the Twt Park – Corrosion on parts of the unit, requires de-scaling and repainting.

Item 6: Amenities Supervisor's Report.

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

- Repairs to the entrance gates into the cemetery. The gate had dropped on its hinge and was dragging along the ground. The concrete has been dug out and the gate re-hung and re-concreted.

Item 7: Rolling Programme 2008/2009.

7.1 Limes Cemetery

i) Boundaries.

No matters arising.

7.2 Holy Cross Church Yard.

i) Entrance Gate and Railings.

Members discussed concerns regarding the condition of the church yard:

- A tree stump and stones needs to be removed;
- The land where scaffolding was constructed for the work to the church tower is covered in weeds;
- There are stones against the porch wall;
- A cable, which is connected to the floodlighting, is running across the earth;
- Replacement pennant slabs for the broken ones on the path.

Members resolved that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Town Clerk should meet with officials from the church to discuss these items.

7.3 Southgate Park

Members requested that Mr Anstee is asked to carryout the treework as agreed as soon as possible.

7.4 Twt Park

Concern was expressed at the erosion of soil and lumps of cement from the wall at the bank leading into the Twt Park as turf would be unlikely to survive there in its present state. Members agreed to continue to monitor the site.

7.5 Emms Cottage

No matters arising.

7.6 Llanblethian Playing Fields

The report and quotation are still awaited from Mr Garbett Davies.

Members agreed that a further letter should be sent advising that unless the items are received soon then information will be requested from another source.

7.7 Cae Rex Allotments

Members requested a cost breakdown of the quotation given by Mr Anstee for the replacement of the fencing at the site.

Item 8: Correspondence.

8.1

Letter received from Miss J N Jenkins acknowledging the letter sent previously regarding a presumed 'right of way' through the Cae Rex Allotments via a gateway at the rear of Miss Jenkins' property. The letter advises that Miss Jenkins' late father's solicitor had written to the Town Council approximately 31 years ago to confirm that a right of access had been established through what is now the allotments and the letter should be still in the council's records.

Noted.

Members agreed that given the long period of time, the letter would not be held on record but request that Miss Jenkins produce a copy if she has one.

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Item 9: Matters, relevant to the committee, to be discussed at the discretion of the Chairman.

9.1 Councillor Mrs Burges advised that there is a large amount of litter on the Footpath at the rear of the Town Hall, which leads to the Comprehensive School, despite the fact that there are three bins on the footpath. Councillor Morris is attending a function at the Comprehensive School this week and will have a word with the Headteacher if the opportunity should present itself.

Item 10: Date and time of next Meeting - Monday, 6th April 2009 at 7.00pm.

Councillor Mrs M Arnold
Chairman.