

**Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council
Minutes of the Leisure & Amenities Committee
on Tuesday 6th April 2021 at 7.00pm**

The meeting was remote using Microsoft Teams during the Covid-19 pandemic. It was also recorded.

Present: Mayor – Councillor S Vaughan
Deputy Mayor – Councillor R Spencer-Downe
Councillors: J Andrew and M Arnold

Chair: Councillor V Ellis

In Attendance: Town Clerk – Cathy Kennedy
Temporary Assistant Town Clerk (Minute taker) – Amanda Pallister

Item 1: **Apologies for Absence**
Councillors R Watkins and A Pritchard.
Councillor S Vaughan apologised for being late due to technical issues.

Item 2: **Declarations of interest**
None.

Item 3: **Matters arising from the meeting held on 1st March 2021:**
Item 4: Vale Council Parks Playground Monthly Inspection Maintenance
Councillor V Ellis has still not received a copy of the Service Level Agreement.

Item 4: **Vale Council Parks Playground Monthly Inspection Maintenance Report**
Was not received in time for the meeting due to the bank holiday.

Item 5: **Grass cutting contract**
Following a lengthy discussion, the following was recommended:
**RESOLVED: Go out to tender for one year, with a minimum of 18 cuts per year.
Councillor M Arnold was the only Councillor not in favour, preferring a two-year contract instead.**

Item 6: **Llanblethian Playing Fields Play Project**
Councillor R Watkins was unable to attend but did provide a written update prior to the meeting (the project is progressing well, and deposits paid). Councillor J Andrew would like to start providing feedback to members of the public who responded to the consultation.
RESOLVED: Councillor J Andrew will draft a feedback response and send to the Town Clerk for distribution.

Item 7: **Limes Cemetery**
Members of the public have commented that the cemetery is in very good order.

Item 8: Twt Park

The new bins have been delivered and will be installed week commencing 12th April. A member of the public has also offered to empty the bins during busy periods.

RESOLVED: Council were grateful for the offer, but there is no requirement for a member of the public to empty the bins as the temporary supervisor emptied them over the bank holiday weekend, and the new job advertisement specifies a 7-day contract (including a Saturday) which covers the emptying of bins.

Item 9: Emms Cottage

Nothing to report.

Item 10: Factory Road / Picadilly

Nothing to report.

Item 11: Southgate Park

A neighbour has sent three quotes for the erection of a stone wall and asked for a contribution to pay half the cost.

RESOLVED: Council is unable to support this request. Council Can only repair like for like, and it's not feasible due to budgetary issues. Council will discuss other options / quotes to look at alternatives at the next meeting (fence, hedge and wall). Council will carry on discussions with the neighbour regarding this issue.

Item 12: Tree donation to remember those who have died during the pandemic

RESOLVED: Council would like to accept the offer of a free tree from the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

Item 13: Holy Cross Churchyard

Meeting went over time (no time to discuss).

Item 14: L & A Expenditure / Budget

Meeting went over time (no time to discuss).

Item 15: Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 4th May at 7pm.

Following this: Monday 7th June at 7pm.