

Item A60 - Benches in Cemeteries - No further information to report at this time.

A9. Financial Report

The Committee received and considered the report of the Treasurer for the period from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2018, as circulated with the agenda. The Committee **resolved** to approve the report.

A10. Cemetery and Works Supervisor's Report

The Committee received and considered the report of the Cemetery and Works Supervisor as circulated with the agenda. It was **resolved** to accept the report.

A11. New Cemetery

There was nothing further to report on this matter.

The Chairman Cllr Alice Badcock asked that officers write to her requesting the matter to be raised with the District Council Cabinet.

A12. Play Areas

Officers had not received any specific requests from Members regarding Town Council play areas in respect to the 2018 / 2019 budget and were content with the officers' recommendation that necessary repairs and maintain of the outdoor gym equipment in Boxhill and Chaunterell recreation areas take place.

It was **resolved** that the suggested works to the outdoor gym equipment be commissioned.

A13. Major Works

Members were informed that there were three areas where major works were required: upgrading the entrance and roadways in the Spring Road Cemetery, the path in Boxhill Wood and the entrance to Chilton Close Play area.

Preliminary quotes in relation to the works suggested that the cost would require formal tenders and therefore a surveyor will be required in order to draw up the necessary technical specifications. The estimates also suggested that the current year budgets in relation to cemetery improvements and footpaths would not be sufficient to fund all the proposed works. It was therefore recommended to the Town Council, through the Finance and General Purposes Committee, that funding be released from the relevant earmarked reserves for this project.

As noted above the project is subject to a formal tender process and if approved the Amenities and Recreation Committee delegated authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of the Amenities and Recreation Committee to agree the successful tender and commission the work.

A14. **Boxhill Recreation Ground**

The Committee were informed that complaints had been received from residents local to the Boxhill Recreation ground that dog owners were allowing dogs off their lead and fouling from the area. Members were also informed that signage had either been removed or defaced when placed in the area.

The Committee were concerned to hear of this and asked that the District Council be contacted to reply to officers request for their Dog Wardens to assist in this matter.

The Committee asked that this be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

A15. **Cemetery Mechanical Digger**

The Committee considered that the mechanical digger at the cemetery should be replaced, the budget estimate being £18,000. The Committee recommended to the Cthe Finance and General Purposes Committee that this replacement should be funded.

It was noted that the project was subject to obtaining quotes and it was resolved, subject to funding being approved, that authority be delegated authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of the Amenities and Recreation Committee to agree the successful quote and purchase the digger.

A16. **Publicity**

The Committee requested that publicity be given to the new bridge over the River Ock any new works that take place.

A17. **Items for Next Meeting**

Members had no items at this stage for the next agenda of the Amenities and Recreation Committee. The Chairman, Cllr Alice Badcock, asked Members to inform officers, in writing, in advance of the next meeting if they wanted to request an agenda item to be added.

A18. **Date of next Meeting**

Members were reminded that the Amenities and Recreation meeting dates for the civic year 2018 / 2019 had been agreed as:

- Wednesday 12th September;
- Wednesday 28th November;
- Wednesday 6th February 2019.

The meeting rose at 7.30pm.

Signed Date

Chairman