

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Local Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 06 September 2021 at 6.00pm in the Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed

PRESENT:

Councillors:	R Bruce (Chair)	M Greener
	J Bowden	G Smith
	C Bruce	L Stephenson
	A Gibson	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr Gareth Davies, Town Clerk
Steve Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk
Cllr P Jackson
Cty Cllr I Hunter
0 members of the public

LS053/21

1. OPEN SESSION

Cllrs G Smith raised issues and concerns with the Town Walls near the Scots Gate and the disabled toilet at Castlegate Car Park.

LS054/21

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Bowlas and G Brown.

LS055/21

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

On the motion of Cllr C Bruce, seconded by Cllr M Greener, the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 03 August 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

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4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interests.

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5. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

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6. ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERS

An update was received by Cllr L Stephenson on continued litter picks by all the groups with new volunteers joining and the public getting involved.

Raine Bryant will be taking more of a back seat with the Spittal group, which will have a new leader. The update also included news of an event on the 25 September happening along the coastline whilst there are concerns with finding glass at Five Arches.

LS059/21

7. ISSUES REPORTED SINCE LAST MEETING

Updates were received from Officers regarding the play parks at Highcliffe, Osborne Place and Flagstaff Park. After which the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED** that the missing swings at Grove Gardens South be added to the report.

LS060/21

8. PLAY PARKS

- i. On the motion of Cllr C Bruce, seconded by Cllr G Smith, the Committee **RESOLVED** that a consultation take place with neighbouring properties to seek their view on the painting of the fence at Springdale Play Park.
- ii. The Town Clerk introduced the item and, during the discussion Standing Orders were suspended sufficiently to allow Cllr P Jackson to speak. After which the Committee **RESOLVED** that the play park inspections continue to be monitored and further **RESOLVED** that a report be brought to the October meeting of Council.

LS061/21

9. SPITTAL SPLASH PARK

The Committee unanimously **RESOLVED** that quotes be obtained and brought to the next meeting of Council for:

An RCD, a surge protector, a lightning protector and a suitable cabinet which should include the removal of the current installation.

LS062/21

10. HIGHCLIFFE SKATE PARK

The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to Council the removal of the items mentioned in the correspondence.

LS063/21

11. LITTER BINS

- i. During the discussion Standing Orders were suspended sufficiently to allow Cllr P Jackson to speak, after which the Committee **RESOLVED** that quotes be brought to the next meeting of Council for general litter bins and solar panel litter bins.
- ii. The Committee **RESOLVED** that the remaining bins be installed at Cow Road in Spittal and Prior View in Tweedmouth.

LS064/21

12. STREET FURNITURE AT QUEEN'S GARDENS

The former West End Residents Association was responsible for 6 benches and 3 tables with fixed seating at Queen's Gardens, the Riverside Walk and locations around the West End.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to council that Berwick Town Council adopts all street furniture that was the responsibility of West End Residents Association.

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13. FORWARD PLAN

The Chair requested that an update on the Jimmy Strength Project be added to the People and Communities agenda at its next meeting.

After which, it was **RESOLVED** to note the Forward Plan.

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14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be Monday, 06 September 2021 at 6.00 pm.