

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the **Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee** to be held on **Monday 18 January 2016**, in the Upper Hall, Town Hall, immediately following the meeting of the Planning & General Works Committee.

Dated: 13th January 2016



Town Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
AGENDA

436/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

437/15 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda, **and the nature of that interest**, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, and Brackley Town Council's Code of Conduct.

438/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

This section of the meeting gives members of the public who are present an opportunity to speak. You may speak on any item which appears on the agenda for this evening's meeting.

Please state your name and address before asking your question.

439/15 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Members are asked to receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 21st December 2015.

440/15 MEMBERS REPORTS

None received.

441/15 WOOD FROM TREE SURGERY

A resident has asked that the Council consider selling logs resulting from the trees surgery in the parks and open spaces. This would involve some additional costs for tree surgery if we were to ask the contractor to create smaller sections (i.e. log length) from the trunks, and the Council would also need somewhere to store and dry the wood prior to sale.

Members are asked to consider how they wish to respond.

442/15 FIRES STATION DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the Fire Station Development Sub Committee meeting held on Monday 16th November 2015

443/15 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION OR INFORMATION

DIRECT RESPONSIBILITIES AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 21 December 2015, in the Upper Hall, Town Hall, Brackley.

Present: Councillor Christopher Cartmell (Chair)
Councillors Bagot-Webb, Baker, Barrie, Broomfield, Sharps, Thompson, Waldron & P Wiltshire (substitute for E Wiltshire)

In attendance: Councillors Morrell, Rawlinson and Ross

Officers: Town Clerk (Linda Carter), Finance & Development Officer (Alison Moses) and Communications Support Officer (Stephanie Lloyd-Berry)

389/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from: Councillors Stimpson & E Wiltshire

390/15 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

391/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

392/15 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the proposition of Cllr Baker it was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on Monday 16 November 2015 be approved as a correct record.

393/15 MEMBERS REPORTS

None received.

394/15 PARTS FOR ZIP WIRE AT HUMPHRIES DRIVE

On 6th October 2015 (Minute 277/15) Members discussed the quotation received for replacement parts for the zip wire and felt that they should be replaced free of charge under the Sale of Goods Act. Subsequently, it was discovered that this Act had been replaced and time frames revised. As a result, Sutcliffe Play was contacted and asked to consider a considerable discount for parts and fitting.

The response received from Sutcliffe Play, which was circulated to Members represented a 28% reduction in the cost of parts. Funding was available from the repairs budget and Members were asked to decide how to proceed.

Cllr Broomfield proposed and Members **RESOLVED** that parts required and installation of same be ordered and arranged as soon as possible. In addition, it was decided that the wire mechanism be reviewed and replaced on a five year cycle.

395/15 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PLAY SPACES WORKING PARTY

1. **RECOMMENDATION** to the Direct Responsibilities & General Purposes Committee that Wicksteed be asked to install the Viking swing and associated wet pour at Egerton Playing Field at a cost of £3300.00 plus VAT.

On the proposition of Councillor Baker, it was **RESOLVED**:

To agree that Wicksteed be asked to install the Viking swing and associated wet pour at Egerton Playing Field at a cost of £6096 plus VAT and that Les Hawkins be asked to supply and install the fence and gate, providing that the gate is self closing, at a cost of £3300 plus VAT.

2. **RECOMMENDATION** to the Direct Responsibilities & General Purposes Committee that Notts Sport Synthetic Playground Surfacing be asked to undertake the improvement works to the goal mouth at Humphries Drive open space, using Bingham Ground Services, at a cost of £7247.88 plus VAT.

On the proposition of Councillor Barrie, it was **RESOLVED**:

To agree that Notts Sport Synthetic Playground Surfacing be asked to undertake the improvement works to the goal mouth at Humphries Drive open space, using Bingham Services at a cost of £7247.88 plus VAT.

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MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION OR INFORMATION

The Finance & Development Officer had submitted an application to Tesco Local Community Grant Scheme, to provide benches, picnic benches and interpretation panels at St. James' Lake. If the project is selected, customers in each of the 26 regions will be asked to vote for their favourite project. The three winners will be awarded £12,000, £10,000 and £8,000 respectively.

Cllr Cartmell mentioned that both Lloyds and Barclays Bank offer similar community grants, which maybe accessible to Council.

Cllr Bagot-Webb enquired about the progress with proposed works at St. James Lake. The Clerk reported that costs relating to appropriate materials and installation had now been received in preparation for grant application submissions.

Meeting closed at: 7.45pm

Chairman

Date:

FIRE STATION DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Fire Station Development Sub Committee held at 4.00pm on Monday 16 November 2015, in the Upper Hall, Town Hall, Brackley.

Present: Councillors; Baker, Morrell, Stimpson, Thompson and Wiltshire
Ms T Hayward

Officers Linda Carter

19/FSD/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Cartmell and Mr M Berreidge

20/FSD/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made

21/FSD/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

22/FSD/15 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the proposition of Cllr Morrell, it was **RESOLVED**;

That the minutes of the Fire Station Development Sub Committee held on Thursday 9th July 2015 be received and approved as a correct record.

23/FSD/15 CONSIDERATION OF TENDER REPORT

Tenders had been received from four companies and the Architects had taken forward the two lowest priced contractors for a detailed examination of their documentation. A tender report had been submitted for consideration by members.

After discussion and due consideration it was **AGREED** to ask the Finance & policy Committee to award the contract to Art Contracts Ltd

24/FSD/15 CONSIDERATION OF BUSINESS CASE

Members considered the report prepared by the Town Clerk and were of the opinion that the renovation costs, though higher than anticipated, were not going to make the project unacceptable. All members felt that they had a duty to meet the public expectation of refurbishing the building for the community, as long as the costs were affordable.

25/FSD/15 RECOMMENDATIONS TO POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Sub Committee agreed to make the following recommendations to the Finance & Policy Committee at tis meeting tonight:

- 1) The Fire Station Development Sub Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the Finance & Policy Committee awards the contract for the refurbishment of the Fire Station to Art Contracts Ltd and that the final contract cost be no more than £406,333 + VAT and fees (*reasonable savings should be found where possible*).

- 2) The Fire Station Development Sub Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the Finance & policy Committee considers a request to Council to approve an amendment to the resolution, made on 2nd February 2015, which would allow an application to the Public Works Loan Boards for the sum of £250,000.

26/FSD/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting will take place on Monday 11th January 2016 at 4.00pm

Meeting closed at 4.38pm:

Chairman:

Date: