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Minutes of the meeting of the Grounds & General Maintenance Committee of Yeovil Town Council held on Monday 11th January 2016 at 7.00pm in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ

Present: Cllrs M Lock, P Chandler, J Conway, K Hussain, A Kendall, E Potts-Jones, M Roper (Chairman), and A Smith.

In Attendance: A Card (Town Clerk), S Fox – Principal Horticultural Officer (SSDC), R Parr – Senior Play & Youth Facilities Officer (SSDC).

There were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

7.00pm - Public Question Time. There were no members of the public present.

7.00pm - Meeting commenced.

9/53 Apologies for Absence and to Consider the Reasons Given. Apologies were received from Cllr D Shutler – ill.

Resolved: To accept the Apologies with the reasons given.

9/54 Declarations of Interest. Members to declare Interests that accord with the Council's adopted Code of Conduct. This does not preclude any later declarations.

No declarations were made at this time.

9/55 Minutes of Last Meeting. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th November 2015.

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting of Grounds & General Maintenance Committee held on 9th November 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

9/56 Exclusion of Press and Public. Due to the confidential nature of the business of item 9/62, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3, it is likely a

motion to exclude members of the public and press during discussion of this item will be considered by the Councillors. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3

Resolved: That Agenda Item 9/62 be heard with the Public & Press excluded.

9/57 Play Area Update Report. Members to consider the update report by the Senior Play and Youth Facilities Officer (SSDC).

In addition to the report, the Senior Play and Youth Officer (SSDC) informed members that Yew Tree Park and Kingston View Park's impact absorbing surfaces have since been repaired. He also added that a climbing wall at Westland Road had been ordered and was due to be fitted later in January 2016.

Resolved: To note the report.

9/58 Kingston View Play Area Update Report. Members to consider the update report by Senior Play & Youth Facilities Officer (SSDC).

A request was made that dog bins be installed in locations so that they were easily accessible following heavy rainfall.

Resolved: Members approved the final design for the improvement of Kingston View Park and Play Area.

7.16pm – R Parr left the meeting.

9/59 Open Spaces Update Report. Members to consider the verbal update report by the Principal Horticultural Officer (SSDC).

Resolved: To note the report.

7.23pm – S Fox left the meeting.

9/47 Allotment Maintenance Schedule. Members to consider the Maintenance Schedule for Year To Date (YTD) FY15/16.

A request was made for the close monitoring of the maintenance schedule to ensure that work had been carried out as scheduled.

Resolved: To note the Schedule (YTD).

9/61 Financial Statement – OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2015 Members to consider the Financial Statement for the period 1 August to 30 September 2015

Resolved: To note the Financial Statement.

Public Question Time. There were no members of the public present.

9/62 Commercial In Confidence

The Committee will consider a resolution (see item 9/56) to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Resolved: Further investigation is to be undertaken regarding the allotment maintenance issue.

The meeting closed at 7:50pm.

Signed: (Chairman) Date: