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The Meeting... **Grounds and General Maintenance Committee**

The Time... **7.00pm**

The Date... **Monday 13 January 2014**

The Place... **Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil**

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Alan Tawse

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Town Clerk

07 January 2014

Please contact Sally Freemantle at the Town House for more information about this meeting

Grounds and General Maintenance Committee

To: All Members of the Grounds and General Maintenance Committee

Martin Bailey

Peter Brock

Kris Castle

Philip Chandler

David Dollard (Chairman)

John Hann (Vice Chairman)

Kaysar Hussain

Andrew Kendall

Mike Lock

Manny Roper

Darren Shutler

Alan Smith

Jon Trevett (co-opted – non voting) (substitute – Bob Ridout)

Equality Act 2010

The *general* public sector equality duty places an obligation on a wide range of public bodies (including town and parish councils) in the exercise of their functions to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not
- Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not

The protected characteristics are:

Age

Race

Disability

Religion or Belief

Gender Reassignment

Sex

Marriage and Civil Partnership

Sexual Orientation

Pregnancy and Maternity

PUBLIC COMMENT (15 Minutes)

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2013.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4. CORRESPONDENCE

5. PLAY AREAS

To consider a verbal report from the Senior Play and Youth Facilities Officer (SSDC).

6. PRESTON PARK PLAY AREA UPDATE

To consider the following update from the Senior Play and Youth Facilities Officer (SSDC).

“Preston Park play area was officially opened on Monday 13 December.

Local children can try out a new zip line along with other new equipment including a basket swing, agility trail, new roundabout and a tree house. Last year, students from Preston School visited the park to see how it could be improved and the designers took their views on board. Top on the childrens’ list was a zip wire.

The £37,000 transformation has been made possible by funding from Yeovil Town Council, South Somerset District Council and the Wellbeing of Yeovil Community Association. It also benefitted from a health and wellbeing grant from county councillor Dave Greene and contributions from a local housing developer.

The improvements to the play area form part of the Town Councils rolling programme of play area refurbishments which ensure their facilities are kept in good order for the public to use and enjoy.”

7. WINTER ENHANCEMENTS

To consider a report by the Landscape Officer (SSDC) – to follow.

8. OPEN SPACES

To consider a report by the Landscape Officer (SSDC) – to follow.

9. ALLOTMENT TENANT WORKING GROUP MEETING MINUTES

To consider the minutes of the Allotment Tenants Working Group held on 2 December 2013 (circulated separately).

10. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2013

To consider the Financial Statement for the period 1 October to 30 November 2013 attached at pages 3 to 8.

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