

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ALDERMAN SPENCE COMMITTEE

Date: 30th January 2019

Time: 4.30pm

Location: Mayor's Parlour

Present:

Cllr E Parkin (Deputy Chair)

Cllr C Powell Cllr P Horton Cllr S Hawke

Cllr C Hardisty (Chair)

Cllr S Martin Mr S Walker Mr R Adams

Mrs P Hardisty (Quarry Moor Development Association)

Mrs A Gray (Littlethorpe Parish Council)

1 member of the public

Mrs P M Benson, the Clerk Ms P Hartley, administrator

6-19	To receive a report from the Warden and the Ranger and agree appropriate action.			
	QMDA. Once a project has been identified, the charity can apply for suitable funding.			
	P Hartley has received a list of suggested sources of funding from HBC which she will share with the			
	Cllr A Gray arrived at 16:36.			
5-19	To consider funding/grant opportunities and agree appropriate action.			
	RESOLVED by a show of 5 hands, 1 abstention.			
	Proposed – Cllr Powell Seconded - Cllr Horton			
	Item 15-18 - There were no abstentions.			
	do not pick up after their dogs but are a minority of QM users.			
	 Item 17-18 - S Walker wished to point out that he does not think it is a majority of dog-walkers who 			
	That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate account of proceedings			
4-19	To receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 14th November 2018			
	onto the residential park especially one which is possibly affecting the telephone line.			
	A member of the public spoke on behalf of New Park to raise their concerns about trees that encroach			
	members of the committee on any agenda item as listed below.			
3-19	Members of the public are invited to question, seek clarification or make representation to			
	None.			
	meeting (financial or otherwise) & to consider any written requests for dispensation.			
2-19	To request any disclosure of an interest in relation to any matter under consideration at this			
	Apologies received and reasons for absence approved from Cllr C Davis & Cllr P McHardy (ex Officio),			
1-19	To receive apologies and accept reasons for absence.			

- The main work has been Winter coppicing, S Walker has been working with a small team of volunteers. Cllr S Martin asked that RCC thank the volunteers as their help was greatly appreciated.
- The West Lane footpaths have been tidied up.
- The gate from the carpark has been repaired.
- Potholes in the car park have been filled in.
- Cllr Hardisty has arranged for 7 tonnes of 40mm tarmac chippings to re-cover the carpark. Ripon
 Farm Services have also offered a tractor with a bucket.
- Cllr Hardisty has also had two quotes for installing new plates at the entrance of the car park but S Walker has not been able to find a contractor who can remove the old 'dragons' teeth' and fill in the holes.
- Open Country have approached the charity to offer to birdboxes for the site. However, the timber would need to be sourced. Cllr Hardisty said he can look into a supplier who may be able to give some wood free of charge.

7-19 1. Financial Matters

2. To review and agree the draft budget for 2019/20.

The budget was agreed.

Proposed – Cllr Horton

Seconded - Cllr Parkin

RESOLVED by a show of 6 hands, no abstentions

3. To receive and approve the accounts for the period ending 31st March 2018.

The accounts were received and approved.

Proposed – Cllr Hawke

Seconded - Cllr Horton

RESOLVED by a show of 6 hands, no abstentions

8-19 To consider quotes relating to the children's playground.

It was agreed that the quote from Stainton Construction Ltd be accepted subject to a discussion with NYCC and to investigate the type of bark chippings that meet H&S requirements. It was suggested that, if possible, it would be a good use of the trees when cut back on site if they could be used to top up the chippings.

It was agreed that the playground needs to be re-opened by the end of March.

Proposed – Cllr Martin

Seconded - Cllr Hawke

RESOLVED by a show of 6 hands, no abstentions

9-19 To receive the Tree Survey carried out by HBC.

It was agreed that the charity should go with the recommendations by the survey which means an annual survey. The budget will need to reflect the added cost. RCC are keen to work with the residents of New Park and Quarry Moor to ensure a good relationship.

Proposed – Cllr Martin

Seconded - Cllr Hawke

RESOLVED by a show of 6 hands, no abstentions

10-19 To receive the automatic gate inspection report.

It was agreed that the recommendations from the report need to be investigated as to whether they are recommendations only or a legal requirement. S Walker will speak to Health & Safety at HBC for advice.

11-19	To discuss the setting up of a Friends of Quarry Moor Group.				
	It was agreed that launching a campaign to appeal to as many interested people as possible would				
	best timed for when the playground is ready to be re-opened and the weather was more suitable for outsid				
	meetings. To be discussed further at the next meeting.				
12-19	To consider the following matters and agree appropriate action:				
	1. Rats				
	2. Pasture/briar & sycamore clearing				
	3. Dog-fouling				
	4. Entrance				
	5. The Hut – Quarry Moor Development Association				
	It was agreed to defer this item until the next meeting.				
13-19	Natural England Management Plan and Higher Level Stewardship.				
	1. To receive correspondence from Rural Payments Agency.				
	The correspondence was received and noted.				
14-19	To agree the time and date of the next Working Committee meeting.				
	That the next meeting be held on 13 th March 2019, 4.30pm, Mayor's Parlour, Town Hall, Ripon.				

With business concluded the meeting was closed at 18:15

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CHAIRMAN