

Minutes of the meeting of the **Amenities Committee** held
on **Monday, 8 March 2021 at 7:00p.m via Zoom.**

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Bryan, Gavin Harris, Menna Jones, Anne Roberts, Mike van der Eijk and Heather Williams.

19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

20. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

21. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: *that the minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 8 February 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.*

22. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising. Still awaiting a response from awarders of Coach Friendly status.

23. PRICES FOR HANGING BASKET PLANTS 2021

Members were requested to consider the quotation received from Planhigion Glyndwr Plants in the sum of £3,261.60. Other potential suppliers approached had not submitted quotations.

RESOLVED: *to accept the price of £3,261.60 inclusive of VAT from Planhigion Glyndwr Plants for provision of plants for the hanging baskets in 2021.*

24. PRICES FOR WATERING THE HANGING BASKETS 2021

Members were requested to consider the quotations received from Llanfwrog CIC and J & C Brimble.

RESOLVED: *to accept the quotation of £4,094.00 from J & C Brimble for watering the hanging baskets in 2021.*

25. PRICES FOR GRASS CUTTING 2021-22

Members were requested to consider the quotations from Llanfwrog CIC, Sheratt Landscape Contractors Ltd and TJS Tree and Ground Care. Members were in favour of supporting the Ruthin based contractors on the basis of provision of jobs for local people and sustainability of the local economy, and it was proposed and seconded that the price provided by Llanfwrog CIC be accepted.

RESOLVED: *to accept the quotation of £3,328.74 by Llanfwrog CIC for grass cutting during 2021-22.*

26. ANNUAL SAFETY INSPECTION REPORTS

Members were requested to consider the 2021 safety inspection reports relating to the Skate Park and Memorial Playing Fields play area, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The inspection at the skate park had been undertaken shortly after the flooding at the end of January. The Chair proposed that the area be checked again at the end of the week, when rain was forecast, to ascertain whether the flooding wash off had cleared or would need to be jetwashed. It was also suggested seeking a price for a fence 2 metres further out, to be considered alongside other improvements to Cae Ddôl, including the potential to locate a pump track there. With regards to the Memorial Playing Fields play area it was suggested that the report be shared with the group fundraising to upgrade the play equipment and to arrange a meeting to get an update regarding refurbishment plans. In the meantime seek prices for two replacement swing seats as recommended in the report.

RESOLVED: *to review the wash off at the skate park at the end of the week and seek prices for fencing and to share the Memorial Playing Fields play area safety inspection report with Star Park Residents Association and arrange a meeting for an update regarding fundraising and upgrading*

the play equipment. To get quotations for two replacement swing seats.

27. CONSULTATION REGARDING PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER IN DENBIGHSHIRE

Members received information that Denbighshire County Council is consulting on a draft Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to make people properly control their dogs in public areas in the county. Members were of the opinion that the incidence of people not picking up after their dogs had increased during lockdown, and questioned whether the County Council had an enforcement company in operation after the cessation of the Kingdom Security contract.

RESOLVED: *that Councillors would respond individually and that would be used as a basis for a Committee response to be formulated at the next meeting.*

28. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: *that the date of the next meeting will be Monday, 12 April 2021 at 7:00pm.*