



Minutes of a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Wednesday 7 September 2022 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Committee Members present: Councillors V Green (Chairman), D Budd (Vice Chairman), B Ezzard

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk and RFO

281. Apologies for absence

The reasons for apologies were received and approved from Councillors Goodinge, Kemp and Turner.

282. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

283. Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

284. Confirmation of the minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 27 July 2022 and 5 August 2022 were **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meetings and were signed by the Chairman.

285. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

The Clerk provided an update from the Consultant regarding the new play area installations, and the progress of the electric charging points for vehicles in Howards Lane car park.

286. Quay toilets roof

Members considered the report by the Operations Manager and the Clerk confirmed the budget availability for the work.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept Quote B (Complete Roofing Solutions) at a cost of £2,588 +VAT.

287. Life-saving ring on the Quay

Cllr Ezzard noted the replacement lifesaving ring had still not been replaced. Members discussed the implications of taking on the responsibility of any future costs, and the Clerk advised the recommendation according to RNLI was the traditional large life ring is less effective when a rescuer is required to throw rather than lower the equipment to a casualty. Consideration was given with this in mind that a lifesaving throwing line replace the lifesaving ring when it next needs replacing, however, this should not be for several years.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council take responsibility for the lifesaving device at the quay.

288. Charity trail running event

Members considered the request and noted that Dorset Council had not been approached.

It was **RESOLVED** that the request to place directional signs on Town Council land be granted if removed the following day. It was further **RESOLVED** that the Clerk refer the organisers to Dorset Council for the permissions required on public rights of way.

289. Air conditioning units for the Council Chamber

Members noted the information which had been obtained by Operations Manager and it was agreed that further investigation be carried out and consideration for costs which maybe incurred be included in next year’s Amenities budget.

290. Any other items the Chairman deems urgent

There were no items deemed urgent by the Chairman.

291. Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Amenities Committee was scheduled to be held at **7.00pm on 19 October 2022.**

Chairman..... Date.....