

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



TUCKERS RECREATIONAL TRUST (Registered Charity No. 300156)

Minutes of the Trust meeting held on Wednesday 2nd June 2021 at 6.30pm, via video conferencing.

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams Video Conferencing to overcome the current Coronavirus restrictions.

Roll call

Cllrs. present: Bentley
Boulton
Castle
Finn
Martin (arrived at item 12/3/21)
Morgan (Chair)
Thomas
Wise

In Attendance: Sally Thurston Town Clerk
Marzia Sellitti, Deputy Town Clerk
Jo King, Town Clerk's Assistant
Simon Harrington Faringdon Football Club, (arrived at item 12/3/21)

1/3/21 Apologies

Cllrs Steve Leniec and Liz Swallow.
Jonathan Gerrans, Faringdon Judo Club.

2/3/21 Election of Chair

Cllr. Peter Castle PROPOSED that Cllr. Kimberly Morgan be elected as Chair of the Trust. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Kiera Bentley and RESOLVED.

3/3/21 Election of Vice Chair

Election of vice-chair was deferred to next meeting.

4/3/21 Minutes of last meeting

It was PROPOSED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3rd March 2021 be signed as a correct record. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

5/3/21 Appointment of Clerk and Financial Officer

Cllr. Peter Castle PROPOSED that Sally Thurston be appointed Clerk and Financial Officer of the Trust. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Angela Finn and RESOLVED.

6/3/21 Appointment of nominated Faringdon Football Club and Faringdon Judo Club representatives as Non-voting Trust Members.

It was PROPOSED that Jonathan Gerrans of Faringdon Judo Club and Simon Harrington of Faringdon Football Club be appointed non-voting Trust Members. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

7/3/21 Declarations of interest

None

8/3/21 Public Question and Speaking Time

None

9/3/21 Terms of Reference

It was PROPOSED that the Terms of Reference for the Trust be APPROVED. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

It was NOTED that all members of Faringdon Town Council are assigned to this committee and attendance is required to ensure the quorate of five is reached.

10/3/21 Report from Faringdon Football Club

Members received and NOTED a report from the Faringdon Football Club, highlighting:

- Football season nearly finished.
- Refurbishment meetings attended.
- New teams being created, (Simon Harrington to send Clerk advert for new Girls Coach, to assist them in recruiting a coach for newly created girls' team)
- Due to the number of existing and proposed teams increasing, Faringdon Football club is starting to investigate installing floodlights to enable them to play mid-week at the club rather than having to use other facilities. The club hope to work with the local community before and after planning application is applied for, hopefully the companies supplying the floodlights would be able to demonstrate the effect of the floodlights.

Members AGREED to support investigation of this project.

11/3/21 Report from Faringdon Judo Club

Update at next meeting.

12/3/21 Tuckers Park

- a) Members received and considered an update.
 - Sad news of vandalism in the play area resulting in £500 of damage. Police had been notified.
Members discussed and rejected idea of installing CCTV due to legislation.
Members requested Clerk to produce a social media post highlighting the vandalism, waste of money that could be used for other projects, to encourage people to report anti-social behaviour.

Clerk to contact the schools to ask children to produce posters/banners "keep my park safe".

- b) Dogs – Members discussed letter from a park user regarding dogs. After a long discussion on the matter of dogs off leads in the park and the consequence of dog mess It was pointed out that there aren't many areas to walk dogs in Faringdon and this would affect other events held at the park but the Council felt the safety of the park users was the priority. It was AGREED to produce a social media release, highlighting that dogs are currently welcome on leads in the park with owners clearing up mess, to keep off the pitches and play area but due to repeated complaints of out of control dogs and dog mess the Council might need to consider a dog ban in the park if the situation doesn't improve. Clerk to work with Dog Warden on this matter.
- c) Trees and hedges
 - a. Members discussed a quote to remove a sycamore tree following a complaint from an adjacent property. It was AGREED to contact Tree Officer at Vale for advice.
 - b. Members discussed a letter regarding hedging encroaching onto a neighbouring property. It was AGREED to defer this item to enable more advice to be sought.
- d) To NOTE members AGREED to install a table tennis table within Tuckers Park.
- e) Health and safety update – nothing to report.

13/3/21 Financial Report

- a) Members NOTED a financial report. Balance £3,790.00.
- b) Members NOTED annual accounts for 20.21. to be deferred to September 2021.
- c) No invoices to be paid.

14/3/21 Meeting Dates

Members APPROVED the next meeting date as the 6th September 2021 and 7th February 2022.

15/3/21 Items for Information Only

Meeting closed at 7:35 pm