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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
LEISURE, EVENTS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON 7 JANUARY 2020 at 8.00 PM

Present: Cllr Montague – In the Chair Ryan Bennett – Clerk to the Council
James Townley – Senior Ranger

Cllrs Benner, Hughes, Kyriakou, Tobin, Vassiliou and Wallington

In Attendance: Cllrs Gallagher & Cole

Voting Members: 9

LEE1525/20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Yeung

LEE1526/20 Declarations of Interest

The Chairman recommended that any declarations of interest be made, if necessary, throughout the meeting.

LEE1527/20 Representations from the Public

A representative from the Croxley Green History Project attended the meeting to speak about VE Day 75th Anniversary. A member of the public attended the meeting to speak about the Dog Hygiene proposal.

[In accordance with Standing Order 13.1.15 the meeting was temporarily suspended between 8:04-8:09 PM to allow Members the opportunity to ask questions to those members of the public who had made representation]

LEE1528/20 Minutes

Members had no comments regarding the Minutes.

Resolved:

- That the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5 November 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

LEE1529/20 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

LEE1530/20 Rangers Update

The Senior Ranger gave an update on the activities completed by the Rangers. In addition to their regular activities, they had updates on:

- Litter pick in Weston Wood
- Work carried out in Stone's Orchard
- Plans to clear up Lock 79 in the summer
- Mill Lane

LEE1531/20 Works List

Members had no comments regarding the Works List.

Resolved:

- That the Works List is noted.

LEE1532/20 LEE Budget Tracker Report 2019/20

LEE Budget Tracker Report 2019/20 was reviewed.

LEE1533/20 Dog Hygiene

The Chairman drew Members attention to the Supporting Paper supplied with the Agenda and invited comments from members.

Members welcomed the information provided to them by the Council staff and appreciated the opportunity to review the current spending on Dog Hygiene.

Members felt it prudent that before any bins are removed that a notice be placed on them to make potential users aware. A recommendation was made to accommodate this.

Resolved:

- That on Recommendation 3, the wording "after a period of consultation" be added.

Resolved:

1. Signs be added to dog bins to inform residents of where the next nearest bin is
2. If possible, bin number 5 is swapped with bin 28
3. After a period of consultation bin numbers 2, 11, 14, 15 & 43 be removed
4. No new bins are installed in the next financial year
5. All bins continue to be emptied twice per week
6. That further checks are made throughout the year to gauge the use of the dog bins

LEE1534/20 Budget 2020/21

Members made no changes to the Budget which was supplied with the Agenda.

Resolved:

- That the LEE Budget for 2020/21, a total of £75,760, is put forward to Council for approval.

LEE1535/20 NYE Fireworks

The Chairman gave a verbal update on the NYE Fireworks display. He informed members that the safety changes made to the display had all worked well and will be continued and that the Council would seek to bring music back into the display.

The Clerk commented that there had been great feedback from residents to the council regarding the quality of the display and the overall event itself.

LEE1536/20 Closure

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:22pm