

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Grounds, Facilities and Environmental Action Committee held on 11th September 2024 at 7pm at the Atherton Suite, The Old Post Office, The Moor, Falmouth.

Present: Councillors D E Clegg (Chair), D V Evans BEM, A Rowe, D W Saunby CC, J M Spargo and Z Young

Also present: Councillors A J Jewell CC and J Robinson

In attendance: R Gates (Town Manager)
A Medlin (Facilities Manager)
S Penna (Grounds Manager)
M Lewis (Cultural Services Director)
K M Hall (Strategic Environmental Projects Officer)
V Rogers (Administration Officer)

GFEA137 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received and approved from Councillor Edwards (carers leave).

GFEA138 INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

None received.

GFEA139 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor D Evans and

RESOLVED that the Part I minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2024 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

GFEA140 GROUND MANAGER OVERVIEW AND UPDATE

The Grounds Manager presented his Part I report which was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe and

RESOLVED to support the proposed erection of 5mph speed restriction signs on the road at the Skatepark.

The Grounds Manager further reported that planning for the next stage of the Skatepark, for road and car park works, was underway. An estimate for £160,000/£170,000 had been received to complete the phase 3 project to adoptable standards which includes the installation of a sub-base throughout all areas. A ground stability testing will be commissioned to reduce the requirement to install a sub-base throughout, which in turn will reduce costs.

He was also pleased to report that the police had advised that there had been a reduction in anti-social behaviour throughout the town since the Skatepark had opened.

The Committee thanked all those involved in the Skatepark development.

GFEA141 **FACILITIES MANAGER OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

The Facilities Manager presented his Part I report that is attached as part of these minutes and was duly noted. He responded to questions on the resurfacing of the lower Pendennis car park.

A MOTION by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe, to approve a quotation for £36,000 to resurface the lower part of the Pendennis Headland Car Park with recycled sustainable parking pavers was lost. There was no substantive motion put. The Committee to further consider the type of surfacing material, subject to heritage and environmental considerations and site safety requirements and pursuant to Minute F6932.

The Committee thanked all those involved with the Resource Project which was proceeding well.

GFEA142 **STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS OFFICER OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

The Strategic Environmental Projects Officer's presented her report which was duly noted and is attached as part of these minutes.

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe and

RESOLVED that the Stategic Environmental Projects Officer submits her response for the housing decarbonisation consultation as previously circulated to the Committee.

GFEA143 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of contractual matters, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

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GFEA144 **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor D Evans and

RESOLVED that the Part II minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2024 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

GFEA145 **FACILITIES MANAGER OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

The Facilities Manager presented his Part II report.

The Town Manager reported the compliance recommendation of the Town Clerk that the Equality Impact Assessment should be undertaken for public toilets in regard to the operation of Gyllyngvase Toilets. A MOTION by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe, to commission the Equality Assessment to be undertaken by the Local Council Consultancy in regard to access and safeguarding compliance for the provision of the Gyllyngvase Public Toilets was lost.

GFEA146 **GROUNDS MANAGER OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

The Grounds Manager presented his Part II report.

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Rowe and

RESOLVED that the Committee support in principle the request for additional resourcing and that the matter be further discussed at the next meeting prior to submitting a request to the Staffing Committee.

Councillor D Evans and Young requested that it be noted that they abstained from the vote.

There being no further business to transact the Chair closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.

Signed Dated.....