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Minutes of the Meeting of Lymington & Pennington Town Council's Amenities Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lymington on Monday 16 October 2023 at 6.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors Cllr McCarthy (Chairperson)

Cllr Jearrad Cllr King Cllr Phillips Cllr Frost Cllr Loveless Cllr Humber

Officers Louise Young, Town Clerk

Lesley Way, Deputy Town Clerk

Also Present No Member of Public / Press

25. Apologies for Absence

Received and accepted from Cllr Morgan and Cllr Davies.

26. Declarations of Interest

None.

27. Public Participation

1 member of the public spoke about regarding a request to use Bath Road for the New Forest Pride event.

28. Minutes of Previous Amenities Meeting held on 4 September 2023.

Resolved: That the minutes of the Amenities meeting held on 4 September 2023 be signed as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr Humber, seconded by Cllr Loveless. All in favour.

29. Requests For Use of Council Land

Councillors discussed requests received from New Forest Pride and Lighthouse Marketing to hold events at Bath Road.

The Town Clerk reported that this year's New Forest pride event was well received, it had been noted to move generators away from properties and the ground was left in immaculate condition after the event. Music would finish at 8pm to allow for everyone to be off site by 9pm.

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Resolved

- i. That the request for use of Council land at Bath Road by New Forest Pride be approved subject to compliance with the Council's Open Spaces Terms & Conditions and Town Clerk agreement, with overseeing of the Events Sub-Committee when appropriate.
- ii. That the Town Clerk has delegated authority to liaise with event organisers to amend dates of the proposed events as appropriate.

Proposed by Cllr Jearrad, seconded by Cllr Loveless. All in favour.

The Town Clerk reported that a few changes were being made to next year's Seafood festival including replacing the 2nd stage with a cooking theatre. The bars are also being moved away from the music into a picketed fenced area with no glass. Children would need to be supervised at all times and no hay bales will be used.

Cllr Jearrad asked about the play area being open for the duration of the event. The Town Clerk reported that unfortunately as this is a bigger ticketed event, because of safety the event cannot be fenced off to allow access to the play area. The whole site is hired, and Lighthouse Marketing are charged the full price including set up days.

Cllr King asked if there could be a designated drop off and pick area to avoid people walking in the road. He suggested even a road closure. The Town Clerk said these were good points that would be passed onto the organisers.

Resolved

- i. That the request for use of Council land at Bath Road by Lighthouse Marketing be approved subject to compliance with the Council's Open Spaces Terms & Conditions and Town Clerk agreement, with overseeing of the Events Sub-Committee when appropriate.
- ii. That the Town Clerk has delegated authority to liaise with event organisers to amend dates of the proposed events as appropriate.

Proposed by Cllr Jearrad, seconded by Cllr King. All in favour.

30. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Amenities Committee will be held on Monday 27 November 2023 at 6pm in the Council Chamber

31. Exclusion of Press & Public

To resolve that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest for reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Proposed by Cllr Humber, seconded by Cllr Frost. All in favour.

32. Emsworth Road Playground Surface

Resolved: That DCM surfaces is the chosen supplier to resurface Emsworth Playground as recommended by the Playground and Open Spaces Subcommittee.
Proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Humber. All in favour.
Meeting concluded at 6.25pm.
Date: Chairperson's Signature: