

Minutes of the FACILITIES COMMITTEE

held on

Monday 15th January 2024

at 7.00pm

in The Pump Rooms, Off Teme Street, Tenbury Wells, Worcs, WR15 8BA.

PRESENT: Cllrs G. Brittain [Chair], L. Davies, D. Ingram and D. Patrick.

IN ATTENDANCE: The Town Clerk, the Assistant to the Town Clerk and one representative of The Regal (Tenbury) Trust Ltd.

FC23.49 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

FC23.50 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made under the Code of Conduct pursuant to the Localism Act 2011 in respect of items on the agenda.

FC23.51 DISPENSATIONS

No requests for dispensation had been received.

FC23.52 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members received an update from The Regal representative regarding the position with the projector. The current projector was now obsolete and required replacing, which would cost approximately £70,000. This exceeds the Trust's budget, and the management team are looking into an interim measure, which should cost approximately £10,000. Technical issues were experienced recently due to the projector's condition, which resulted in a film screening being postponed.

A Member queried how much money the Trust were looking for. The representative stated he thought it was in the region of £4,500.

A Member asked how much time the interim measures would give. The representative said there was no way to know for sure.

A Member queried if the timescale to be back in profit had been modelled. The representative stated that it had, however he did not have the results to hand.

A Member asked who the owner of the projector is and how that would be affected by an upgrade/replacement. The Town Clerk stated the current projector is listed on the Town Council insurance.

The meeting of the Facilities Committee was reconvened.

FC23.53 MINUTES

Members discussed the minutes of the previous Facilities Committee meeting.



It was proposed by Cllr. D. Ingram seconded by Cllr. L. Davies and unanimously

RESOLVED:

The minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held on 20th November 2023 were agreed as a true and accurate account of the meeting and duly signed by the Chair.

FC23.54 THE REGAL

Members considered the report from The Regal (Trust) Ltd regarding replacing the projector.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. L. Davies seconded by Cllr. D. Patrick and unanimously

RESOLVED:

To agree to support The Regal (Tenbury) Trust Ltd proposal to replace the projector.

FC23.55 CAR BOOTS

Members considered the request for exclusive rights to operate car boots on The Burgage.

It was proposed by Cllr. D. Patrick seconded by Cllr. L. Davies and unanimously

RESOLVED:

To agree the request for exclusive rights to operate car boots on The Burgage on the following dates and with an opening time of 6.15am:

1st April 2024

6th May 2024

27th May 2024

26th August 2024.

FC23.56 VOLUNTEERS SIGN

Members considered a request from a member of the Keep Tenbury Clean and Green Community Group to install a sign on the entrance to The Burgage and Palmers Meadow stating that 'Volunteers have given their time to Litter Pick here.'

Following discussion Members agreed that the signs were a good idea and would give the group and their work recognition, however it was felt that The Burgage and Palmers Meadow were suitable areas to have the signs erected as these areas are kept tidy daily by the Council's Groundsmen.

It was proposed by Cllr. D. Patrick seconded by Cllr. L. Davies and unanimously



RESOLVED:

To refuse the request from the Keep Tenbury Clean and Green Community Group to install a sign on the entrance to The Burgage and Palmers Meadow.

FC23.57 THE PUMP ROOMS

Members noted the satisfactory electrical installation condition report for The Pump Rooms.

FC23.58 REPORTS FROM LEAD MEMBERS FOR THE COUNCIL FACILITIES

- (i) Members unanimously

RESOLVED:

To agree to appoint Cllr. L. Davies as Lead Member for the remainder of 2023/24 for:

- a) The Pump Rooms**
- b) Events and Community Support for the remainder of the 2023/24 year.**

- (ii) Members received reports from Lead Members on the following areas:

- a) **The Burgage** – Cllr G Brittain – Cllr. Brittain stated that he had walked The Burgage and could not find any litter. The ground is still recovering following the firework display and will require work in the spring. The shelter at the point is in a poor state. The bin at the point has lost its lid. The Town Clerk requested to obtain a quote for a new bin.
- b) **Cemetery, Street Lighting & Public Domain** – Cllr D Ingram – Cllr. Ingram stated that there are still a few trees in the cemetery that are needing cut back and the bin still requires replacing. The Openreach box on Teme Street has not been removed. Town Clerk requested to send a letter to Openreach emphasizing that the cabinet is an embarrassment to the company and an eyesore to the town.
- c) **Pavilion and Civic Garden** – Cllr G Brittain – Cllr. Brittain stated that everything is looking good in the Civic Garden especially the bowling green.

The Town Clerk stated that she had spoken to Frank P. Matthews with regards the fruit trees to be purchased if the funding bid is successful. Frank P. Matthews suggested the trees are planted in the Civic Garden with less chance of vandalism or contamination to the fruit.

- d) **Palmers Meadow & Skate Park** – Cllr G Brittain – Cllr. Brittain stated that there were no problems of note and that, considering the weather, the pitches are in good condition.



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- e) **The Pump Rooms** – The Town Clerk stated that the boiler service is due.
- f) **The Regal** – Cllr D Patrick – Cllr. Patrick stated that he had not attended any meetings at The Regal since before Christmas, however he had heard that the pantomime takings were good. With regards the roof, a schedule o works will be presented to Council before going out to tender.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the asbestos encapsulation works will be carried out on the 22nd, 23rd January to 29th January.

- g) **Events & Community Support** – No report.

FC23.59 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members agreed the exclusion of Press and Public on the grounds that the consideration of the following items may involve the likely disclosure of confidential information Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

FC23.60 LICENCE AGREEMENT

Members considered the terms for the new licence agreement for the use of Palmers Meadow be the football club.

Following discussion on the revised licence agreement, it was proposed by Cllr. D. Ingram seconded by Cllr. D. Patrick and unanimously

RESOLVED:

To agree the terms for the new licence agreement for Palmers Meadow.

FC23.61 RE-ADMISSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There being no further confidential business, Members agreed a motion to readmit the press and public for the remainder of the meeting.

FC23.62 COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- A quotation for extending the path on Palmers Meadow to the skatepark.

FC23.63 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

11th March 2024 at 7:00pm

Meeting Closed at 8.41pm

Signed

Dated

