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THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BATHURST PARK AND RECREATION TRUST held in the Council Chamber at Claremont House on 25 September 2017 at 7.55pm.

Present:

Trustees H Ives (Chairman), D Biddle, A Preest, K White, R

Christodoulides, C Legg, C Harris and B Pearman

In Attendance:

Mrs J Smailes - Trust Secretary

Mrs S Lanfear - Trust Admin Assistant

Ms Carol Wheeler - Lydney Town Council, Executive Officer

Housekeeping – Trustee Ives informed all present that no practice fire evacuation had been scheduled for the duration of the meeting. All attendees were then informed of the locations of the nearest fire exits.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Trustees; Berryman, Leach and Pugh

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 31 July 2017. **Proposed by Trustee Pearman, seconded by Trustee Harris.**Vote carried

4 FINANCE AND SUNDRY PAYMENTS

August/September 2017 Financial Statement

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August/September 2017 Financial Statement

Payments JULY Payments AUGUST			3,436. 5,140.	59	Detailed Below
Payments SEPTEMBER Payments OCTOBER Payments NOVEMBER Payments DECEMBER Payments JANUARY			13,957.	69	Detailed Below
Payments FEBRUARY Payments MARCH					
Payments PRIOR TO YEAR END					
	Total Payments YTD		45,089.80 99,729.07		
Reconciled Bank Statements as at end LLOYDS BANK - Current	AUGUST 2017		42,041.	49	
00171608 LLOYDS BANK – E/M Refurbish Toilets	C – E/M Refurbish Toilets 4,000.00				
9897960	53,687.12		57,687.	58	
Bank Balances as at:	31-Aug-17		99,729.		
AUGUST PAYMENTS					
Payments made by Direct Debit:					
Monnow Marquees	11.07.17	180.00	Ad Hoc	BACS	Park Event
Forest Equipment Services Ltd	26.07.17	1,447.86	Monthly	STO	Litterpicking Workshop: Gas
British Gas Business: 602478939	26.07.17	1.65	Monthly	DD	Workshop: Gas
British Gas Business: 602478936	26.07.17	38.79	Monthly	DD	Electricity
British Gas Business: 602478935	26.07.17	87.17	Monthly	DD	Pavilion: Utilities Gas
British Gas Business: 602478938	26.07.17	339.56	Monthly	DD	Pavilion: Utilities Elec
Direct Debits:	Sub total	2,095.03			
Interim Payments made in advance of meeting:	19 00.00				
Corporate Expenditure		87.85	Monthly	1427 1428	Pavilion Cleaning Pavilion Cleaning
HMRC R & R Dance Group		22.00 1,060.00	Monthly Ad Hoc	1428	Park Event
Interim Payments:	Sub total	1,169.85	710 7100		
Payments for approval in Lieu of Meeting					
Charles Saunders Ltd		33.38	Quarterly	1430	Pavilion Cleaning Materials
Forest Equipment Services Ltd		396.00	Ad Hoc	1431	Litter Picking
Forest of Dean & Wye Valley Review Ltd		181.80	Ad Hoc	1432	Park Event
Gooch Group Ltd		97.71	Quarterly	1433	Pavilion Cleaning Materials
Light Fantastic DIY Ltd		28.97	Monthly	1434	Grds Maintenance
Lydney Festival		200.00	Ad Hoc Ad Hoc	1435	Park Event Park Event
Lydney Music Lydney Training Band		750.0 110.00	Ad Hoc	1436 1437	Park Event Park Event
Cash		77.85	Monthly	1438	Wkshop/Grds Maintenance/Pav
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Payments in Lieu of meeting: Sub total		1,875.71			
TOTAL PAYMENTS	AUGUST	5,140.59			

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SEPTEMBER PAYMENTS					
Payments made by Direct Debit:					
South West Medics	03.08.17	800.00	Ad Hoc	BACS	Summer Event
Forest Equipment Services Ltd	21.08.17	35.94	Monthly	DD	Workshop Costs
Water Plus	21.08.17	70.77	Monthly	DD	Pavilion Utilities
British Gas: 602478936	21.08.17	351.42	Monthly	DD	Pavilion Utilities
Water Plus	29.08.17	1,447.86	Monthly	STO	Litter Picking
Direct Debits	: Sub total	2,705.99			
Interim Payments made in advance of meeting:					
Corporate Expenditure		87.85	Monthly	1439	Pavilion Cleaning
HMRC	11141	22.00	Monthly	1440	Pavilion Cleaning
Interim Payments	: Sub total	109.85			
Payments for approval at meeting on: 25th	September 2017				
Actavo (UK) Ltd	September 2017	988.80	Annual	1441	Fireworks
Charles Saunders Ltd		59.12	Ad Hoc	1442	Workshop/Pavilion Costs
Essential Signs & Graphics		96.00	Ad Hoc	1443	Noticeboards
Forest Equipment Services		159.60	Ad Hoc	1444	Summer Event
Forester Newspapers Ltd		240.72	Ad Hoc	1445	Summer Event
Light Fantastic DIY Ltd		2.98	Monthly	1446	Workshop Costs
P S Neale		240.00	Ad Hoc	1447	Play Eqp Maintenance
TrunkArb Tree Surgery Ltd		1,608.00	Ad Hoc	1448	Grds Maintenance & Trees
Ukenited – T A Cox		50.00	Ad Hoc	1449	Summer Event
Lydney Town Council - Recharge		196.63	Annual	1450	Insurance/Postage
P S Neale		7,500.00	Ad Hoc	1451	Donation re Fencing
Payments in Lieu of meeting: Sub tota	1	11,141.85			
TOTAL PAYMENTS	S SEPTEMBER	13,957.69			
A list of unpresented Cheques (For Information or	uly)				
Charles Saunders Ltd		33.38		1430	
Forest Equipment Services Ltd		396.00		1431	
Forest of Dean & Wye Valley Review		181.80		1432	
Gooch Group Ltd		97.71		1433	
Lydney Festival		200.00		1435	
Lydney Music		750.00		1436	
Lydney Training Band	_	110.00	21	1437	
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Finance/Sundry Payments

- Prior to the start of the meeting Trustees were provided with a copy of the monthly payment schedule. Acceptance of the payment schedule **proposed Trustee Preest seconded by Trustee Pearman**.
- 4.2 Approval of payments therefrom **Proposed by Trustee Harris seconded by Trustee Pearman**Unanimous

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4.3 Members were provided with a copy of the proposed draft budget for 2018/19. Members noted that the Trust's budget for the 2018/19 financial year had been set at £88,639. **Proposed by Trustee Preest seconded by Trustee Harris** that the proposed draft budget £88,639 be accepted.

Unanimous

Donation request of £46,5000 **Proposed by Trustee Preest seconded by Trustee Harris to** be submitted to Lydney Town Council.

Unanimous

After a short discussion on fund raising ideas for Bathurst Park Trustees agreed to form a working party or subcommittee for the Bathurst Park and Recreation Trust. Trustee Pearman requested that this be an agenda item for the next Trust meeting.

Unanimous

Action by - The Trust Secretary

Trustees were informed that the aforementioned budget would result in a deficit of £29,584.00. It was anticipated that the deficit could be addressed by utilising £8,000.00 residue from the 2017/2018 budget and the Trust Secretary advised the Trust to consider submitting a further donation request for £10,000.00 to Lydney Town Council once the tax Base calculation was known. It was noted that the above approach would require the Trust to take £11,584.00 (as a minimum) from General Reserves.

It was **proposed by Trustee Pearman, Seconded by Trustee Harris,** that the Trust would submit a further donation to Lydney Recreation Trust for £10,000.00 once the Tax Base calculation was known.

Unanimous

5 Grant Submissions

Trustee Ives reported to Trustees that the Trust would not be working with Network Solutions as they had declined the Trusts request for more information regarding their funding process.

Trustee Ives advised that the funds in the sum of £500.00 had been received from Active Together had been used to purchase new Rugby Goal Posts.

The Grant Application submitted to Tesco's was still being processed and Trustee Ives gave a commitment to update attendees at the next Meeting.

Noted

6 **BUSINESS**

Incident in the Park

The Trust Secretary Informed Trustees of an incident involving a young child that had taken place in the Park, Trustees were informed that its Insurer had been informed.

Noted

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6.2 Bathurst Park Summer Event

Trustee Ives provided a verbal overview of the recent event and discussed areas where improvements could be made. Trustees congratulated Trustee Ives and the staff at the Pavilion Café who had worked tirelessly on the day. After a short discussion Trustees agreed that next years event would be an agenda item for the next Trust meeting. The Trust Secretary spoke of her concerns over the operation of a working party and suggested that may be a Sub Committee able to incur expense would be more apt; also that Danters Fair provide ride provisions for next year's event as the Trust had been let down by one stall holder who had committed to bring multiple units. The Trust Secretary was instructed to invite Danters Fair to provide ride provisions for next year's event which would take place on the first Saturday in July 2018.

Action by - The Trust Secretary

6.3 Bathurst Pond/Fountain

Trustees were provided with a quote from Aquaflora Landscapes which would address the Pond Filtration and a Planting Project cost of £22,765.00 (plus VAT) and £2500,00 Electrical sub-contractor (plus VAT). After a short discussion the Trust Secretary informed Trustees that the Grant Administrator was currently looking into Grant Funding for the filtration system and will revert back to Trustees at the next meeting on the success of such. Trustee Ives gave a commitment to approach other organisations to see how they addressed similar filtration issues. Agenda item for the next committee meeting

Action by - The Trust Secretary and Trustees Ives

6.4 Fireworks Display 2017

Prior to the meeting Trustees were provided with a list of rides being supplied by Danters Fair on 3 November 2017 and also with the food provision listing which will be supplied by the Pavilion Café.

The Trust Secretary referred to email correspondence previously circulated which stated where Trustees would be positioned on the evening of the Fireworks Display and their individual assigned duties.

Noted

6.5 **Public Toilets**

This item was deferred to the next Trust meeting as the Trust had yet to receive a quotation from Thomas Dudley Ltd and Wallgate Ltd.

Action by - The Trust Secretary

6.6 Dogs in the Park

New dog signage had been erected on the sports side of Bathurst Park inviting responsible dog owners to use the park; two larger signs had also been ordered and would be erected once received.

Noted

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6.7 Cycle Racks

Prior to the meeting Trustees were provided with the costs for a cycle rack for the Park, The Trust Secretary suggested asking the Grant Administrator to obtain possible Grant Funding for this. **Trustee Preest proposed, seconded by Trustee Biddle** that the Grant Administrator would apply for Grant Funding.

Unanimous

Action by - The Trust Secretary

6.8 Hayter Large Area Amenity Lawnmower

Members were reminded of the discussion which has taken place at the September Full Council meeting, the Trust Secretary advised that she was currently liaising with the Head Groundsman and Machinery Suppliers as to whether it was cost effective to service the Hayter Lawnmower again this year or whether such should be traded in against a Compact Tractor. It was noted the cost to service the Hayter was £2400 + VAT and that dependant on the responses either a service order would be issued or a quote provided for new equipment at the next meeting.

Remedial Works – Bathurst Park Picnic Area and Bathurst Park Concrete Area
Trustees were provided with a quotation to consider for the remedial work in the Park.
After careful consideration Trustees agreed the quote was too expensive and requested that the Trust Secretary source further quotations. Trustee Preest proposed, seconded by Trustee Ives that Delegated Powers be bestowed on the Trust Secretary, plus two members for up to £3000 in order to address such works.

Action by - The Trust Secretary

6.10 Forest of Dean & Wye Valley Visitor Guide 2018

The Trust Secretary informed Trustees of the cost to advertise in the Forest of Dean and Wye Valley Visitor Guide; $\frac{1}{2}$ page advert, if a member, cost £905.00 + VAT and for non-members £1280.00 + VAT. The costs of becoming a member, Silver membership £120.00 + VAT and Gold membership £250.00 + VAT. Trustees discussed the cost implications of the advert and how it would benefit the Trust and agreed that it would not be cost effective at this time to advertise.

Proposed by Trustee Legg, seconded by Trustee Christodoulides

6.11 Pitch Use at Bathurst Park

Trustees were advised that Lydney Town Under 10's and Broadwell AFC Under 10's had been using the sports pitches on Bathurst Park without having booked a pitch prior and free of charge. The Sports Clubs in question had since paid for the usage of training pitch hire in the Park.

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Vote carried

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7. MEMBERS REPORTS

Trustee Ives enquired how work was progressing on the installation of the Archway over the Avenue Andre Clement. The Trust Secretary informed members that the posts and arch were currently under construction and the posts would be installed prior to the refurbishment of the surface on the Avenue Andre Clement.

Trustee Ives informed members that in light of their outstanding contribution to town life he had nominated "The Coffee House" in both the "Rural Enterprise" and "Local Food/Drink" categories and wished them luck.

Meeting closed at 8.49 pm

Chairman

Date 27 November 2017