

LYDNEY RECREATION TRUST
MEETING OF THE TRUST – 31st January 2022 - 26

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE LYDNEY RECREATION TRUST Meeting held via Zoom on Monday
31st January 2022 at 8.35 pm

Present: Trustees R Kemsley (Chairman), A Harley, C Harris, R Holmes, S Holmes, W Leach, P Macklin, L Penny, T Saunders, E Taylor and S Thomas-Brown.

In Attendance: Mr S Holley – Trust Secretary
Mrs C Whittington – Minute Taker

1. **APOLOGIES**

The Trust NOTED Apologies for absence received from Trustees Cave, Stockham, Thomas-Brown and Vaughan. Trustee Greenwood was absent.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Kemsley Proposed that the Minutes of the meeting of the Trust held on 29th November be approved as a correct record. APPROVED with three abstentions.

4. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

4.1 **To consider for approval a Schedule of Payments to be made by the Trust.**

The Chair Proposed approval of the payments listed. APPROVED unanimously. In response to a member's question the Trust Secretary advised the work for the skatepark electric had been completed and the electric connections by Western Power had included a further payment of £998. The additional money to be taken from Unallocated Reserves.

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4.2 **Trial Balance, Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Report and Bank Reconciliation for Month 9**

NOTED.

5. **PROPOSAL FOR SKATE PARK AND PUMP TRACK**

No report provided.

6. **TRUST CHARGES FOR 2022/23**

The Trustees were advised the Funfair was charged £352 on operational days and £90.20 for non-operational days. The office would look into what other towns charged and discuss any increase at the January meeting.

Action – Trust Secretary

7. **STRATEGIC PLAN**

(a) Trustees discussed at length areas which they felt could benefit from the Unallocated Reserves.

Suggestions to look into further:

- Improve the footpath around the lake.
- Provide low level (sensory) lighting around the lake and light up the island.

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- To tidy up the fenced areas.
- Community Garden with fruit trees – near the lake
These could be incorporated in the strategic plan to implement over the next 3 – 5 years.
The Skatepark also to be looked into, which could be partly funded by S106 money and Grant funding.

(b) The Trust Secretary advised reconsidering the proposal to obtain a VAT report on implications for Charitable Organisations to confirm the legal position would be a starting point to enable the Trustees to make a decision of the future of the Trust. The cost would be £600 to be split £300 each Trust. Once VAT advice sought any further discussion considering altering the current format of the Trusts would involve a discussion with the benefactors.

8. **GEESE AT THE LAKE**

The draft Budget had been prepared by Officers and circulated prior to the meeting. Proposed Trustee Kemsley Unanimously APPROVED.

9. **TRUST SECRETARYS REPORT**

Trustee Penny advised Trustees she had been looking into displaying art work around the recreation area and wanted opinions on ideas. Boards could be put up that could be cleaned and would give young people their own place which would give them trust and respect to the property. The back of the skatepark ramps could be used as a temporary measure due to the discussion of updating the skatepark. The Trustees could set up a workshop to engage with the community. Trustees felt it gave a better impression calling it street art rather than grattifi. It was agreed the garages were not the appropriate place for street art, but that they would benefit by being cleaned up.
Trustee Harris left the meeting.

Action – Trust Secretary

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Trustees discussed the wildflower area at the back of the properties that border the lake. The Grounds team could remove the grassed area and add low-cost rubber matting. Trustee Kemsley agreed extra parking provision would be welcomed. Various options of covering the area to were discussed which could provide additional disabled parking or provide a covered area for mobility scooters. The office to price up various floor coverings.

Action – Trust Secretary

11. **TRUST REPORT**

The Trust Secretary has received numerous complaints regarding the number of rats around the lake. The Trust has bait rat bins which are secure and although the Angling Club were concerned about flood water washing poison out the pest control company advised the amount in each bin is negligible and if diluted would have no effect. The Angling Club removed the bait boxes themselves prior to a flood event but have been advised by the Trust Secretary that only the pest control company should remove the boxes. Trustee Kemsley Proposed the bait boxes be removed during the winter APPROVED with one abstention.

Action – Trust Secretary

12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

No recent complaints - to remain an agenda item for next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

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Chair.....

Date.....

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AGENDA ITEM

25/11/2021		Lydney Recreation Trust 21/22		Page 46							
18:09		PRELIMINARY PURCHASE DAYBOOK		User: CEHW							
Creditors for Month No 8			Order by Invoices Entered								
Nominal Ledger Analysis											
Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Ref No	Supplier A/c Name	Supplier A/c Code	Net Value	VAT	Invoice Total	A/C	Centre	Amount	Analysis Description
29/10/2021	200527		COUNTRYWIDE GROUNDS COU		605.00	121.00	726.00	4245	200	605.00	October Grass Cutting
14/11/2021	8698		FOREST EQUIPMENT	FES001	35.62	7.12	42.74	4210	200	35.62	School Holiday Litterpick
01/11/2021	3636		PEST CONTROL	FOD002	55.00	11.00	66.00	4200	200	55.00	Mthly Pest Control
05/11/2021	5456		PETER NEALE	PSN001	570.00	114.00	684.00	4200	200	570.00	Repair to Bridge Railings
TOTAL INVOICES					<u>1,265.62</u>	<u>253.12</u>	<u>1,518.74</u>			<u>1,265.62</u>	
VAT ANALYSISCODE S @ 20.00%					1,265.62	253.12	1,518.74				
TOTALS					<u>1,265.62</u>	<u>253.12</u>	<u>1,518.74</u>				

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