



Minutes

TOURISM AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

Date:	Thursday, 8 September 2016
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes
Committee Members:	Councillor Cheryl Little (Chairman) Councillor Tim Ashton (Vice-Chairman) Councillors Jan Barker, Brenda Blackshaw, Julie Brickles, Richard Fradley, Paul Hodgson, Barbara Nash, Sandra Pitman, Vince Settle, Raymond Thomas
Other Members:	Councillor Karen Buckley
Officers Present:	Paul Walker, Tim Dixon, Katharine McDonnell
Members of the public:	One member of the public in attendance

Public Platform

There were no speakers under the Public Platform arrangements.

1. Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. There were no declarations of interest.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Tourism and Leisure Committee held on 2 June 2016 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute Members

The following substitution was reported under Council procedure rule 24(c):

Councillor Barbara Nash for Councillor Christine Akeroyd

Decision Items

4. Approval for S106 Funded Scheme for Improvements to Children's Play Area on Derby Road, Wesham

Paul Walker, Director of Development Services, introduced a report requesting the committee recommend approval for a S106 funded scheme for improvements to a children's play area on Derby Road, Wesham.

Mr Walker explained that the scheme was not in the 2016/17 capital programme but the scheme was fully funded from a developer S106 contribution. He advised if the Committee were mindful to approve the scheme, it would go to the Finance and Democracy Committee for inclusion in the capital programme.

Following a brief discussion it was RESOLVED to

1. Recommend to the Finance and Democracy Committee that the Council agree to act as accountable body for the proposed capital scheme;
2. Recommend to the Finance and Democracy Committee an addition to the 2016/17 capital programme in the sum of £24,000 to be fully funded from the Section 106 contributions as detailed in the report;
3. Authorise the proposed expenditure in respect of the scheme to undertake improvements to Derby Road, Wesham as detailed in the report, subject to the Finance and Democracy Committee approving that the scheme be added to the capital programme for 2016/17; and
4. Approve the letting of the contract for the design and build of new play facilities and associated improvement works to Kompan in the sum of £24,000 subject to addition of the scheme to the capital programme being approved by the Finance and Democracy Committee in the same amount.

4. Lytham Promenade Coastal Path Resurfacing 2016-17

Paul Walker, Director of Development Services, introduced a report detailing the proposed resurfacing works to the Lytham Promenade coastal footpaths to be funded from the annual capital budget for promenade footway improvements.

Mr Walker presented the Committee with maps and photographs of the area to be resurfaced.

Following a short discussion it was RESOLVED to approve the proposed works to Lytham Promenade coastal footpaths as detailed in the report, with the works being funded from the approved 2016/17 capital programme scheme of £47,000 for promenade footway improvements.

Information Items

6. General Fund Revenue Budget Monitoring Report 2016/17 – Position as at 31st July 2016

The Committee received an update of the Council's General Fund Revenue Budget as at 31st July 2016, specifically for those areas under the Committee's remit. Mr Walker advised that of the three budget lines under the committee's remit, the line pertaining to Lytham Leisure that was underperforming at the end of period 4, had completely recovered by the end of period 5.

7. Capital Programme Monitoring Report 2016/17 – Position as at 31st July 2016

The Committee received an update of the Capital Programme as at 31st July, particularly in regard to those schemes under the Committee's remit.

In response to questions from Committee, Mr Walker advised that issues between a contractor and a sub-contractor regarding the quality of recently installed lockers was resolved and users of the pool should see a resolution to the matter shortly. Mr Walker undertook to meet with Councillor Pitman, as Council representative to the YMCA, to brief her on the matter.

8. Lancashire County Council Review of Property Strategy (Neighbourhood Centres)

The Committee received information regarding Lancashire County Council's rationalisation of its property base throughout the county, with particular regard to those building affected in Fylde Borough.

The Committee discussed the impact the closure of the libraries would have on communities and it was proposed that the Committee consider discussing the future of Lytham Library in more detail as the building was a Fylde Borough Council asset.

Following a discussion it was RESOLVED that

1. An item regarding the future of Lytham Library be brought to a future meeting of the Tourism and Leisure Committee as soon as practicable;
2. The Chief Executive writes to Lancashire County Council to ask that the library service remain in place for as long as possible to allow time for the community to take over the service, and to ask Lancashire County Council to ensure the safe retention of any books and archives relating to the history of the borough,;
3. The concerns of the Committee be placed on record, not only for the loss of the library service, but for the affected staff.

9. Outside Bodies

The Committee received the reports from Councillors serving on outside bodies.

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