MINUTES OF THE CHEADLE TOWN COUNCIL LEISURE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2026

490. PRESENT – Councillors I.W. Plant (Chair), S. Ellis, P. Routledge, J. Jervis, D. Wilson, Mrs K. Mills, T. Cann, M. Downie and T. Durose.

491. APOLOGIES – Councillors Mrs P. Upton (Vice Chair), Miss Z. Routledge, Mrs S. Walley, C. Richardson and D. Faulkner.

492. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

493. SECTION 33 DISPENSATION REQUESTS - None

494. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MONDAY 19th JANUARY 2026

Approved and confirmed as a correct record of the meeting.

495. COMMUNITY REASSURANCE UPDATE – IF ANY

The Clerk updated the Committee on behalf of Nicky Derrett, confirming that her DBS Certificate was enrolled on the auto-renewal system and that this had been checked and found to be valid. Therefore, there is no requirement for any further action at this time.

496. ASSET TRACKER UPDATE

The Committee were advised that the tracker had been updated accordingly and been reviewed. This will be the monitoring tool for the required actions, and the Committee instructed for quotation to be sourced for the immediate works required. These were identified as the Cemetery footpaths, Tean Road Bowling Green path and repair works to the tennis courts. The fencing at Kenilworth Walk requires a Land Registry Check, and it was confirmed that funding had been made available for these projects through the budget.

497. CHEADLE TOWN COUNCIL ASSETS – MAINTENANCE PLANS & RISK ASSESSMENTS

It was agreed that a document produced by SMDC for their management of Brough Park could be used as a template for the maintenance plans and risk assessment for the sites under the jurisdiction of Cheadle Town Council.

498. PLAY EQUIPMENT – REMOVAL & REPLACEMENTS

Cllr I. Plant confirmed that the wooden play equipment, that had been highlighted as a risk by inspections, had been removed and would be replaced in due course. Cllr Plant stated that there was funding available from Section 106 arrangements and permission was granted to source quotes for replacement works. Cllr J. Jervis recommended a questionnaire or public engagement exercise for replacement options, once received.

499. HIRE AGREEMENT

The Clerk updated the Committee that a Hire Agreement was in the draft stage for the hiring of the Tean Road and Churchill Road Recreation Grounds, and that it would cover details of the hirer, period of use, area of use and indemnity and reinstatement policies. Once complete, any persons using the facilities would be required to sign the Hire Agreement and therefore be responsible for the terms & conditions thereon.

500. CHURCHILL ROAD PROJECT - UPDATE

Cllr I. Plant confirmed that the relevant documents had been signed to agree the specifications for the Churchill Road Recreation Ground, and that Angela Dale was taking this forward with potential contractors. It was confirmed that the required fencing at the Churchill Road site would be covered as part of the project.

501. GRIT BINS

This item was removed from the Agenda, due to a requirement for this to be put before Full Council.

502. APPROVAL OF DATES FOR WARWICKS FUNFAIR

The dates provided of 28th May to 31st May 2026 and the 4th September to the 12th September 2026 were approved.

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503. FOOTPATHS WORKING PARTY QUOTES – COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND

This item was deferred pending correspondence with the owners of these sites and a request for them to carry out any necessary works.

There being no further business the meeting was bought to a close.

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