MINUTES OF THE CHEADLE TOWN COUNCIL LEISURE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2025.

435. PRESENT – Councillors Mrs. P Upton (Chair), I.W. Plant (Vice Chair), S. Ellis, Ms L. Wood Williams, P. Routledge, D. Wilson, and B. Charlesworth and M. Staton

436. APOLOGIES – Councillors Mrs K. Mills and Miss Z. Routledge

437. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None

438. SECTION 33 DISPENSATION REQUESTS
None

439. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MONDAY 16th DECEMBER 2024
Approved and confirmed as a correct record of the meeting.

RESOLVED ITEMS

440. UPDATE ON OPEN SPACES PROJECTS/GRANTS/COSTINGS
Councillor Mrs P. Upton provided the Committee with an update on the current developments, stating that progress to the public toilets and repairs to the football changing rooms remained ongoing, and to inspect the ongoing renovations periodically.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO FULL COUNCIL

441. VE CELEBRATIONS 8TH MAY 2025 – TO CONSIDER MARKING THE OCCASION
Cllr Mrs P. Upton asked Councillors for ideas around marking the 80th Anniversary, and a positive discussion took place around holding an event at St Giles The Abbot Church in Cheadle, which would include the lighting of Beacons and the Community Band where possible. It was confirmed that SMDC would be providing a Grant of £1000 towards events, and it was agreed to further ideas for the event once the venue had been secured and some initial discussions with the church. It was agreed that arrangements for the event would be furthered in due course.

ACTION PLAN

442. KENILWORTH WALK GOALPOSTS – UPDATE ON INSTALLATION
The Clerk advised the Committee that he was meeting the Beaman Group Ltd contractors during the coming week, and that he would be able to provide a date for installation once this meeting had taken place.

443. SPECIFICATION FOR PATHWAY ADJACENT TO SMALL CHILDRENS PLAYGROUND ON TEAN ROAD RECREATION GROUND – COMMITTEE TO AGREE SPECIFICATION.
A discussion took place around the difficulties faced by council in terms of writing specifications for contractors, particularly in terms of industry knowledge. At the present time, contractors are submitting quotes based on their own interpretation of the requirements, and not a like-for-like quote provided by Council. It was agreed that a local Quantity Surveyor would be beneficial to Council, and it was further agreed to

look online for Online Surveyors or how other councils draw up their specifications. Therefore, the matter was deferred in order to research this in more detail.

444. FURNITURE FOR THE BOWLING PAVILION – COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FUNDING AND SOURCING.

It was agreed that some of the Cheadle United Charities money could be considered for this, given that the Pavilion is part of the Memorial Grounds at Tean Road and therefore within the 'Charitable Objectives' of the Ernest Mackenzie fund. It was felt that a meeting with the Bowling Club would be useful to determine what furniture was required. To be referred to Finance & Resources for appropriate fund allocation.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

445. QUOTES FOR REPAIRS TO THE MAINTENANCE SHEDS

This matter was deferred pending the submission of additional quotes.

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

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