

FITZ PARK, HOPE PARK & TOWNSFIELD CHARITABLE TRUSTS

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Hope Park, Fitz Park & Townsfield Charitable Trusts held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 22nd May 2014 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Martin Pugmire

Councillors		
David Etherden	Martin Jordan	Denstone Kemp
Andrew Lysser	Tony Lywood	Duncan Miller
Keith Taylor	Lorraine Taylor	Paul Titley

Also present was Lynda Walker (Trust Clerk).

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burn (holiday), Councillor Leighton and James Hewitt (Head Gardener).

2. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interests in respect of items on this agenda were received.

3. Election of Chairman

There being only one nomination it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Pugmire be elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

4. Election of Vice Chairman

There being only one nomination it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Jordan be elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

5. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2014 (pages 13-14).

6. Annual Report

RECEIVED the outgoing Chairman's Annual Report.

7. Clerk's Report

RECEIVED the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED that the Bowling Club be advised that there is no parking available for their members in Upper or Lower Fitz Park.

The Clerk was asked to include an item on the agenda for the next meeting regarding access for pushchairs etc to Fitz Park adjacent to the museum and costs of making suggested improvements.

8. Head Gardener's Report

RECEIVED the report of the Head Gardener.

A request was made for the Head Gardener to ensure that the necessary preparations were in hand for improvements to the area around the War Memorial in time for the service to commemorate the start of World War I (Councillor Lysser to check that everything was in order for this). The Clerk was asked to include an item on the agenda for the next meeting

regarding the placing of padlocks etc on bridges in the parks. Councillor Etherden undertook to approach Castlerigg Engineering regarding treatment to the uprights on Wivell Bridge.

9. Budget Comparisons

RECEIVED budget comparisons for the fourth quarter.

10. Assets Register

RESOLVED that the updated Assets Registers for Hope and Fitz Parks be approved and adopted.

The Clerk was asked to include an item on the agenda for the next meeting to review the condition of Knightsbridge and agree any remedial work required.

Councillor Lysser left the meeting at 8.15 pm

Prior to the following business the Chairman moved the resolution:

'That in view of the special/confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable/in the public interest that the public and/or press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw'

11. Contracting

The terms of hire for Hope and Fitz Parks were reviewed.

RESOLVED

- i) that the standard daily charge for hire of Fitz Park be increased to £500 or £1 per competitor, whichever is the greater
- ii) that the Trust retains the discretion to amend this charge in appropriate circumstances on the recommendation of Councillors Etherden, Lywood and the Chair
- iii) that the prior approval of the Trust is required for any sub-letting
- iv) that sufficient toilet facilities be provided for the numbers expected to attend

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Chairman

Dated