Minutes of the meeting of Fitz Park, Hope Park & Townsfield Charitable Trusts held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick, on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30pm.

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Present:

# Chairman Councillor Adam Paxon

Allan Daniels Susan Leighton Councillors Martin Jordan Duncan Miller

Graham Kendall Jean Murray

Also in attendance were Lynda Walker (Trust Clerk), Christine Fawcett (Parks Manager) and Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer.

## 70. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burn (holiday), Councillors Lywood and Titley (work). Councillors Kemp and Pugmire were absent.

## 71. Declarations of Interests

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

## 72. Minutes

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on  $11^{th}$  January 2018 (pages 11 - 12).

#### 73. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave a verbal report referring to the recent felling of a large conifer in Upper Fitz Park as part of flood resilience measures. He asked for an item on the agenda for the next Trust meeting to discuss ways of better communicating with the public when such action was considered necessary to ensure that the reasons were fully understood.

#### 74. Proposed Wildlife Area and Water Feature – Hospital Field

Consideration was given to a proposal from Elizabeth Barraclough for a wildlife area and water feature in Hospital Field, for which she intended to submit a grant application to the United Utilities Legacy Fund. **RESOLVED** that the proposal be supported and the ideas be further developed.

#### 75. Fitz Park Multi Use Games Area Arrangements

Consideration was given to arrangements for bookings and sale of lighting tokens for the Multi Use Games Area.

**RESOLVED** that the Youth Hostel Association be approached in the first instance to sell lighting tokens on behalf of the Trust, and that no action be taken to provide a booking system for the time being.

#### 76. Parks Manager's Report

Consideration was given to the report of the Parks Manager.

**RESOLVED** that the following funding be approved:

- i) £587 from the contingency budget towards the cost of unblocking the culvert at Hope Park
- ii) £1200 from the tree work budget to cover the cost of removing the fallen tree at Townsfield
- iii) £5,073.45 from the Development and Equipment Fund to cover the overspend on the new buildings at Hope Park with an additional £3,905 to cover the cost of additional tarmac (blue area on plan submitted)

# 77. Clerk's Report

**RECEIVED** the report of the Trust Clerk. **RESOLVED** that the hire purchase of a second hand van from High Hill Automotive be approved based on the revised figures submitted.

## 78. Budget Comparisons

**RECEIVED** for information the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter's budget comparisons.

## 79. Requests for use of the Parks

Consideration was given to the following requests for the use of the parks:

i) Ourea Events – use of Crosthwaite Road car park Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 plus camping

**RESOLVED** that the use of the car park be approved for full days only on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the standard fee, but that no camping be allowed

ii) BoxedIn Theatre company – use of Fitz Park for theatre production 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018
**RESOLVED** that approval be granted on the normal terms and conditions and that a £50 donation be suggested towards the play area with no bond to be payable.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Chairman

Date