

FITZ PARK, HOPE PARK & TOWNSFIELD CHARITABLE TRUSTS

Minutes of the meeting of Fitz Park, Hope Park & Townsfield Charitable Trusts held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, Keswick, on Thursday 14th March 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present:

Chairman
Councillor Adam Paxon

	Councillors		
Allan Daniels	Martin Jordan	Denstone Kemp	
Graham Kendall	Susan Leighton	Duncan Miller	
Jean Murray	Paul Titley		

Also in attendance were Lynda Walker (Trust Clerk) and Christine Fawcett (Parks Manager).

73. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burn, Lywood and Pugmire.

74. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interest were received.

75. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2019 (pages 11 – 12).

76. Chairman's Report

The Chair reported on a recent meeting with Keswick Cricket and Rotary Clubs, also attended by the Vice Chair, regarding the proposal to hold a Wine and Food Festival in Fitz Park at the end of August. The event was still very much in the planning stages and further information would become available in due course.

77. Tree stump at Upper Fitz Park

Consideration was given to options for carving or removal of the remains of the conifer at Upper Fitz Park. The Parks Manager circulated photographs of sample designs.

RESOLVED that three further less intricate, more robust, designs be submitted to the next meeting together with costings.

78. Parks Manager's Report

Consideration was given to the report of the Parks Manager who also presented firm costings for the WW1 memorial seat and plinth for Lower Fitz Park.

RESOLVED that the seat and plinth be provided at a total cost of £4,411 to be funded from remaining contingency and underspends in the 2018/19 budget.

79. Amenity Benches at Hope and Fitz Parks

Consideration was given to a request for provision of amenity benches in Hope and Fitz Parks.

RESOLVED that benches be provided in Fitz Park on the riverside path near the car park and in Hope Park close to Crow Park Road (exact positions to be determined by the Parks Manager) to be funded from the donation offered.

80. Clerk's Report

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk.

RESOLVED that the request from Atkinsons Builders Ltd to install a pipe across land at Upper Fitz Park to assist with surface water drainage on Brundholme Road be approved, should it be required, subject to full reinstatement of the ground/path.

Note – item on renewal of leases at Fitz Park to be included on agenda for July meeting.

81. Budget Comparisons

RECEIVED for information the 3rd quarter's budget comparisons.

82. Requests for use of the Parks

RESOLVED that the following requests for use of the parks be approved:

- i) Keswick Rotary and Cricket Clubs – use of Fitz Park for Wine and Food Event – approved in principle subject to further information on the duration of the event.
- ii) Keswick Town Council – use of Lower Fitz Park and closure of the Community Sports Area for Midsummer Festival events viz:
 - Prom in the Park on Saturday 29th June 2019
 - Scruffs Dog Show on Sunday 30th June 2019
- iii) Keswick Mountain Festival – contingency arrangements for use of Hope Park as an alternative finish route.

Prior to the following business the Chairman moved the resolution:

'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.'

83. Lease – Keswick Football Club

RESOLVED that the Chair be authorised to sign the Deed of Variation of Lease with Keswick Football Club.

84. Fitz Park Games 2019

The Clerk reported that Hope Leisure Ltd had agreed to operate the games at Fitz Park for 2019 on the same terms as 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Chairman

Date