

Abbots Langley Parish Council

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12th June 2019.

To Members of the Leisure Committee

Councillors Sara Bedford, Jean Bowman, Liz Burns, Jane Lay, Simon Stanley, John Wyatt (Chairman) & Roxanne Yau.

The next meeting of the Leisure Committee will be held at the above address on Wednesday 19th June 2019 at 7:30 pm when your presence is summoned for the purpose of transacting the business outlined below. The press and public are welcome to attend the meeting.

Tim Perkins
Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**
To receive and accept apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda.
3. **Public Participation**
To note if any members of the public have requested to speak at this meeting, in accordance with the Parish Council's Public Speaking Arrangements.
4. **To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on**
17th April 2019.
5. **Committee Vice-Chairman**
To appoint a committee Vice-Chairman for the current municipal year.
6. **Reports from Allotments Representatives**
To receive reports from the Allotments Representatives.
7. **Reports from Sports Representatives**
To receive reports from the Sports Representatives.
8. **Key Projects**
To consider the June 2019 update of the above (enclosed), specifically:
 - Water Fountain - To agree the location of the above. (Key project 15, report on costs and locations enclosed.)
 - Vehicles - Triple Grass Cutter (Key project 18.)
 - Depot Surface (Key project 20, contractors report on the cost of initial survey and project costs enclosed.)
 - Lamp Post Flags (Key project 22, report on project cost options enclosed.)
9. **Great War Memorial Wall**
To consider giving permission for a memorial wall to be erected in the Manor Lodge gardens (Report enclosed.)

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10. Play Area Prioritisation

To note the report from the Clerk. (Clerk's report item 1.)

11. Manor House Skate Park - Fencing

To note the report from the Clerk. (Clerk's report item 2.)

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Clerk's Report - Leisure Committee - June 2019

1. Play Area Prioritisation

At the time of writing the Open Spaces, Sport & Recreation study commissioned by Three Rivers District Council is currently in final draft and will be shared with the Parish Council when reviewed by Three Rivers District Council.

This report forms part of the Local Plan work so has been commissioned by TRDC's Planning rather than Leisure team.

2. Skate Park

A member of the public raised concerns about the new skate park not being fenced and the risk to free running dogs that may enter the area and get injured. I agreed to bring his comments to the attention of the committee.

I spoke with colleagues and low-level fencing around skate parks does not comply with current safety guidelines. This is due to the risk of users landing on top of the fence, possible entrapment risk and fences also do not allow users a safe run off area.

High level security fencing its extremely costly and does not improve the visual amenity.

The skate park passed its pre-opening safety inspection.

Officers are not recommending any action but felt it appropriate to bring this resident's concerns to the attention of the committee.

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