

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL
sitting as TUCKER'S RECREATION GROUND TRUST
Reg. Charity No. 300156

Minutes of a meeting of Tucker's Recreation Ground Trust
held on Monday, 15 December 2014 at 7.30 pm
in the Old Town Hall, Market Place, Faringdon

PRESENT:

Town Councillors

Roger Cox (in the Chair)

Ian Bell

Jane Boulton

Julie Farmer

Stephen Leniec

Andrew Marsden

Dr Mike Wise

Non-Voting Trust Members

Simon Harrington, Faringdon Town Football Club

IN ATTENDANCE:

Hilary Sherman, Clerk & Financial Officer to the Trust

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the Trust Members AGREED that Cllr Roger Cox would chair the meeting.

30/14 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs James Gregory, David Price, Mark Greenwood and Angela Finn, and from Jonathan Gerrans of the Faringdon Judo Club.

31/14 Minutes of Last Meeting: 8 September 2014

Cllr Leniec pointed out that his name had been incorrectly spelt and should read "Stephen". Following amendment of the Minutes, they were AGREED and signed as a being a correct record of the meeting held on 8 September 2014.

32/14 Public Speaking Time

There were no members of public present.

33/14 For Information Only

Cllr Dr Wise informed the Trust Members that it is the intention of the Town Council to include Tucker's Recreation Ground in the Local Green Spaces Policy of the Faringdon Neighbourhood Plan.

34/15 Circus Requests 2015

Requests from two companies to visit Tucker's Park were received and considered:

- (a) *Circus Ginnett, April 2015:* As this date fell within the football playing season, it was NOTED that the park would not be available and that Circus Ginnett should be advised accordingly.

(b) *John Lawsons Circus- July 2015*: It was AGREED that the Park could accommodate this circus, subject to the following conditions:-

- To liaise with Faringdon Town Football Club to confirm dates;
- To pay a fee to the Trust of £100 per day;
- To have the relevant Employers and Public Liability Insurance Cover in place and to provide a copy to the Trust;
- To ensure the site is left clean and tidy on departure of circus;
- To liaise with the residents whose houses back onto the park so that there are no problems with noise;

The Trust Members also NOTED that Scarrotts Funfair had planned its annual visit to the park at the end of June/beginning of July. Following review of the charges to Scarrotts, it was proposed, seconded and CARRIED that these should be increased from £75 per day to £100 per day.

35/15 Faringdon Football Club

Simon Harrington gave a brief report outlining the club's current activities. It was NOTED that planning permission had been granted for the proposed extensions to the Pavilion but that the club was still awaiting costings from the contractor for the work. The Club could not, therefore, apply for a grant until it had received all the costings.

The club was currently following up the possibility of running a Football Academy with Faringdon Community College. Discussions would be held with the County Football Association before Christmas to see if this was a possibility on the basis that there would be study time at the school in the morning with sports activities in the afternoon. It was felt this would suit 6th formers who are doing a Sports Science Course at the College.

Simon Harrington further advised that the club had also had the opportunity to obtain another container which was half the size of the one currently in place. The new container would be positioned behind the current one and would not be obtrusive and he asked for the Trust's approval.
AGREED.

36/15 Faringdon Judo Club Report

Jonathan Gerrans had sent his apologies and therefore there was no report to hand.

37/15 Payment of Bills

It was proposed, seconded and CARRIED that payment of the following bill be APPROVED:

BGG Garden and Tree Care	£1020 (incl VAT)	Cutting of long hedge at Tuckers Park adjacent to Marines Drive
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Date of next meeting:

Monday, 9 February 2015 at 7.30pm, venue to be advised.