

AMENITIES COMMITTEE1st November 2016

PRESENT Councillors: Miss.K.Stephens (Chairman)
 Ms.N.Austin
 A.Biggs
 Mrs.L.Dedden
 Mrs.S.Grove
 M Hudson
 Ms.J.Russell
 Mrs.S.Shaw

Apologies Cllr: S.Hazel

In attendance: Mrs.V.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs.J.Gaskell, Assistant to the Town Clerk

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160/16 Declarations of Interest.

None

161/16 Allotments.

No report.

162/16 Cemetery items to be put forward for inclusion in estimates of expenditure for the next financial year.

Discussion took place and it was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the Finance and General Purposes Committee be requested to include the following items in estimates for the year commencing 1st April 2017.

General Rates	£ 300
Maintenance	£ 7,000
Water	£ 50
Memorial Testing	£ 700

163/16 To consider the Cemetery Charges for the next financial year.

The current scale of charges for the Verwood Cemetery was copied to all members. Consideration was given and after discussion it was proposed, seconded and

RECOMMENDED that there will be no increase this year to Cemetery charges.

164/15 Recreation Ground & Open Spaces – Clerk’s Report.

a) **3LX Community Fund.** A letter had been received regarding the proposed outdoor gym equipment and that the committee were not sure about the suggested siting on the Recreation Ground. They would be discussing it in the future to ensure that the location is suitable for the equipment. Further information was given and was noted.

165/16 To consider items to be put forward for inclusion in estimates of expenditure for the next financial year.

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the Finance and General Purposes Committee be requested to include the following items in estimates for the year commencing 1st April 2017.

Maintenance of Open Spaces	£ 7,000
Hanging Baskets/Planters	£ 5,200
Maint. of Verwood Recreation Ground	£ 10,000
Maint. of Memorial Stone	£ 150
Maint. of Three Legged Cross Recreation Ground	£ 8,000
Maint. of Play Areas	£ 10,000
Casual Labour	£ 500
Cleaning of Bus Shelters	£ 1,500

166/16 Verwood in Bloom Working Party.

A written report was circulated to all members. Discussion took place regarding sponsorship by Estate Agents, new cups, more categories, timing of the competition, publicity and administration of the event. The Working Party will meet again and discuss the issues brought up and will present their next report to the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.14 p.m.

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Chairman