

Den in Nature Reserve

It was reported that children had erected a den in the Nature Reserve.

Mr Spencer reported that arrangements had been made to remove any combustible materials from the site.

192/03 **Use of Allotment Gardens**

It had been reported that an allotment tenant had been selling produce in aid of charity from West Street allotments. The Council's allotment sites are classified as "Allotment Gardens" and the 1922 Allotment act S22 (1) states "An allotment garden is a plot not exceeding 1,220 square yards which is wholly or mainly cultivated by the occupier to produce vegetables or fruit for consumption by himself and his family".

Members were requested to give consideration to whether to allow the sale of produce on Allotment Gardens in the Parish

Concern was expressed for the privacy and security of the sites along with issues relating to Health and Safety.

RESOLVED

1. The Council to look at different venues for the allotment holder to sell the produce.
2. That the allotment holder cease selling the produce until further information has been considered by the Committee at a future meeting.

(Mr S Wade declared an interest and left the room).

193/03 **Noads Way Play Area Update**

It was noted that the new play equipment was well received and the Council had been thanked by users and local residents. Councillors commented that it was a sensible project and had been used as an example by New Forest District Councillors. Wild animals and birds were now re-appearing in the gardens backing onto and in the play area.

194/03 **Vandalism Report**

Councillors noted the Report and commented that vandalism incidents had gone down.

195/03 **Licence Renewal – Land adjoining Depedene, Southampton Road**

Consideration was given to the renewal of the Licence for the lease of land adjoining Depedene, Southampton Road, Hythe.

RESOLVED

That a true market value of the land be obtained before agreeing to renew the Licence.

196/03 **Fletcher Close Play Area – provision of dog bin**

Consideration was given to the provision of a dog bin at Fletcher Close.

RESOLVED

That a dog bin be provided at Fletcher Close play area.

197/03 **Roundabouts**

Members noted that this item will be discussed at a future meeting of the Committee when more information is available.

198/03 **Gateways into Hythe**

Members of the Committee discussed the Report, previously circulated.

RESOLVED

1. That the Scheme be approved with the following alterations –
 - a) That the entrance to Hythe, by West Street, be omitted from the Scheme.
 - b) That the entrance to the Parish in Main Road, be added to the Scheme.
2. That the entrances to the Parish be marked with coloured tarmac.
3. That the Scheme be approved and put forward for budget consideration.

190/03 **Any Other Business**
Southern Water Services Limited's Fairview Drive Sewer Improvements

Under Sections 159 and 168 Southern Water served a 3-month Statutory Notice to undertake sewer works within land owned by the Parish Council namely, Langdown Lawn play area.

RESOLVED

That the Southern Water Consent Form be signed by the Clerk to the Council.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Chairman

Date

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