



## RESOLVED

That the recommendations of the Play Equipment Working Party, held on 2 October 2003 be adopted.

**265/03 Licence Renewal – Land adjoining Depedene, Southampton Road (Min 195/03)**

Consideration was given to the request to renew the Licence for the land adjoining Depedene, Southampton Road.

The District Valuer had placed a value of £20,000.00 on the land, but felt that it would not be possible to apply commercial rental charges due to the position of the land. He had recommended a continuation of the current arrangement whereby a peppercorn rent is charged with the licensee being responsible for the upkeep of the trees and fencing. Members agreed that this arrangement would be acceptable if regular monitoring visits are carried out to ensure that the trees and fencing are properly maintained.

## RESOLVED

1. That the Licence be renewed for 7 years.
2. That an Annual Survey of the trees and fencing is carried out by Council Staff.

**266/03 Dog Warden Service**

Consideration was given to a letter from the District Council's Environmental Health Assistant Director in which plans for a proposed Dog Warden Scheme were outlined.

Members were disappointed that there would be a rise in costs to £20 an hour, but most appreciated that this would still represent value for money if the level of service remained the same as the previous scheme. It was still thought worth trying to reduce the costs and Members wished to ensure that other Parishes would be participating before committing to the scheme.

## RESOLVED

That the decision be taken by the Deputy Clerk after consultation with other Waterside Parishes.

**267/03 Allotments****1. Use of Allotment Gardens (Minute 192/03)**

Further to the Meeting of the Committee on 1 September 2003, Members were advised that outlets are available for the sale of allotment produce, albeit at a small charge.

## RESOLVED

That the sale of produce within the grounds of the Council's allotment sites be prohibited and a Press Release issued confirming this fact due to problems with health, safety and security.

**2. Rules as to Allotment Gardens**

Consideration was given to disallowing the use of carpet on allotments due to the high cost of removal in both time and money.

## RESOLVED

- A. That the use of carpet be disallowed on allotments and that this be included within the Rules as to Allotment Gardens.
- B. That any existing carpets be removed within 12 months of the circulation of the revised rules.

### 3. Provision of an additional tap at School Road Allotments

Consideration was given to the provision of an additional tap at School Road Allotments at a cost of £220.

RESOLVED

That an additional tap be provided.

(Mr S Wade declared an interest in this item and left the meeting during consideration thereof)

#### 268/03 Tree Management Scheme

Consideration was given to the implementation of the Tree Management Scheme in:

Ewart Recreation Ground  
Fern Hill  
Noads Way  
Capella Gardens  
Dibden Bottom Farm Open Space  
Any play areas with trees in close proximity to the entrances or play equipment.

Whilst it was thought that this scheme was a good start, it would be worth considering the purchase of a handheld Geographical Positioning System for future inspections.

RESOLVED

That the Tree Management Scheme is implemented in the above areas at a cost of £1200.00

#### 269/03 Parish Hall Terms and Conditions for Use

##### a) Entertainments Licence (Minute 123/03)

Consideration was given to the alteration of the Terms and Conditions for Use of the Parish Hall following the decision to include Sundays in the Entertainments Licence.

RESOLVED

That the following clause be included under Clause 4 (Refusal of Booking and Cancellation):-

"4.3 Due to the hall's close proximity to a residential area, bookings during which amplified music is used will NOT be accepted on a Sunday unless prior written consent is obtained from the Council."

##### b) Public Liability Insurance

Consideration was given to charging occasional hirers of the Parish Hall an additional 10% on the hire fee in order to provide the recommended Public Liability Insurance cover for a minimum of £5 million.

RESOLVED

1. That an additional 10% be levied on the hire fee in order to provide the recommended Public Liability Insurance cover be agreed in principle.
2. That further enquiries are made of Zurich Municipal.

#### 270/03 Dogs in Forest

A Member enquired whether dogs were required to be kept on a leash in the New Forest.

The Member was informed that dogs are only required to be kept under control.

271/03 **Parish Hall Parking**

Members agreed that the problem of unauthorised parking in private areas would need to be addressed by all private landowners before car parking charges are brought in around the New Forest. The situation will particularly need to be monitored at the Parish Hall.

272/03 **Fire at Forest Front**

It was reported that there had been a major fire at Forest Front the previous day which had caused substantial damage. The Police were aware of the likelihood that it was started deliberately.

The Meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Chairman

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