Minutes of a meeting of the Policy Committee held on Monday 28th January at 7.00 in The Garth, Garth Park, Launton Road, Bicester OX26 6PS.

Present:

Cllr Richard Mould

Cllr Lynn Pratt

Cllr Sean Gaul

Cllr Nick Mawer

Cllr Les Sibley

Cllr Jason Slaymaker

Cllr Lawrie Stratford

Cllr Nick Cotter

In Attendance:

Sam Shippen – Chief Officer Julie Trinder – Administrator

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331/1819	1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
		RESOLVED that apologies received from Cllr David Magee and Cllr Rose Stratford.
332/1819	2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
		RESOLVED that declarations of interest were received regarding Agenda Item 14 from Cllr Jason Slaymaker, Item 11 from Cllr Les Sibley.
333/1819	3	MINUTES
		Cllr Les Sibley advised he was present at the meeting. Cllr Lawrie Stratford requested that an amendment be made to minute 275/1819 to record the proposal to move to confidential session which was defeated.
		RESOLVED that the Committee confirmed as amended, the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting:
		POL04/1819 – 26 th November 2019
334/1819	4	PUBLIC SESSION
		There were no members of the public in attendance.
335/1819	5	ASSET MANAGEMENT
		5.1 ASSET TAKS AND FINISH GROUP
		5.2 BURIAL GROUND
		An update was given informing the Committee of A2 Dominion position regards future development. Report of meeting that took place on 24 th January to be distributed.
		RESOLVED that Committee AGREED the report and subsequent updates.

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336/1819	6	MAJOR TOWN INITIATIVES
		RESOLVED that Committee noted the minutes from:
		Bicester Vision Executive Board Meeting: 6th December 2018
337/1819	7	HIRE CHARGES
		RESOLVED that Committee AGREED the Garth Hire Fees as set out in 2.1 on the report and no charges are set as outlined in item 3 for Marquee Hire.
338/1819	8	POLICY REVIEW
		RESOLVED that Committee:
		 AGREED that a specialist contractor, Zurich, be appointed to undertake a full review of the Council's GP2 Health & Safety Policy; APPROVED the new GP3 Fraud and Corruption Policy Statement be ADOPTED for review in 2023; APPROVED the new GP12 Freedom of Information Policy be ADOPTED for review in 2023; APPROVED GP17 – Play Areas Adoption Policy be ADOPTED for next review in 2024; APPROVED the new GP18 – Press and Policy be ADOPTED for review in 2021; APPROVED GP20 - Allotment Inspection Policy as recommended by the Environment Committee be reviewed in 2022;
339/1819	9	THE STABLES PROJECT COSTS
		RESOLVED that Committee AGREED:
		 The fee as set out in Appendix 1 of this report totalling £8,150 + VAT plus an additional contingency should it be required. That Ridge Property & Construction Consultants who are currently engaged on other projects in The Garth carry out the works.
340/1819	10	WRETCHWICK GREEN PLAY AREAS
		RESOLVED that Committee AGREED:
		 The proposal for play provision at Wretchwick Green. In principle the future adoption of the play provision at Wretchwick Green. To DELEGATE authority to Officers to negotiate with CDC a suitable provision within the S106 agreement.
341/1819	11	DERWENT GREEN ACV
		RESOLVED that Committee:

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		 AGREED in principle to be treated as a bidder for Derwent Garden, subject to further discussion on cost of acquisition DELEGATE authority to Officers to negotiate with the owners and prepare a further report for consideration by this Committee or Council as appropriate.
342/1819	12	FORWARD PLAN
		RESOLVED that:
		 SW Bicester replaces Kingsmere Phase 1 Derwent Green be added to Forward Plan
343/1819	13	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS
		RECOMMENDED That in accordance with section 1(2) of the public bodies (admission to meetings) act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the items set out below on the ground s that publicity would be prejudicial to the general interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.
344/1819	14	CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
		RESOLVED that Committee:
		 AGREED the exercise of mutual break with CAB and Bicester Bowls Club be subject to review at the next meeting of the Policy Committee unless lease approval is forthcoming by 22 February 2019. NOTED the position with Bicester Green and OCC's Registrar's AGREED the renewal with Bicester Tennis Club for a seven-year period with a stepped £50 per year increase in rental in line with the existing lease, with delegated authority to the Chief Officer to negotiate terms in line with other lease renewals.
345/1819	15	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
		Monday 5 th March 2019
		CLOSE OF MEETING: 8.27pm

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