

**PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARKS/GARDEN COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 17th JANUARY 2012 AT 7.00PM
IN TOWER COURT, HORNS LANE, PRINCES RISBOROUGH**

PRESENT

Chairman Cllr R Orsler
Cllr, P Williams, E Clifford
K Pope – Deputy Clerk

In attendance: Cllr Coombs

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from W Woolf, A Rolfe and P Summerbell,

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meetings, held on the 1st November 2011, having been previously circulated, were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest in which they may have in any of the items under.

None were declared.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Request to donate memorial bench to Stratton Memorial Garden

The office has received two requests from residents to donate a bench. All present agreed to accept these requests.

Lighting request for the Skatepark at KGV

All in favour to consider this request, however the light should be directed at the skatepark and should not intrude on local residents. The Deputy Clerk is requested to investigate the costs involved in installing such a light.

5. INVOICES FOR CONFIRMATION

Payment was **agreed** for the following invoices:

	NET	VAT	TOTAL
Manor Estates - grass cutting for month	£1,204.13	£240.83	£1,444.96

6. TENDERS FOR CONSIDERATION

Replacement play equipment St Dunstan's

3 quotes have been submitted to replace the rope walkway that was removed following a risk assessment check. All present to put this quote on hold, pending the possibility of St Dunstan's church using this area of the park for temporary access to the graveyard extension. The Clerk is requested to investigate this request and to report back to the committee.

7. PARKS/GARDEN REPORTS

Suggestion for a compost area at SMG. This has been agreed at the estimates meeting for 2012/2013.

8. CHANGING THE CLOSING HOURS OF THE MEMORIAL GARDEN.

A further review is required on the opening and closing hours of the garden through-out the year.

Cllr Coombs agreed to review this.

9. REPORT ON THE POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENT OF PYRTLE SPRINGS

Cllr Rolfe was not present at the meeting, therefore all present agreed to carry this agenda item forward.

10. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE MEETING WITH FRANCIS GOMME AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL CONCERNING THE CONTENT FOR THE STRATTON WILDLIFE INFORMATION BOARD.

The report has been circulated. Cllr Orsler has not drafted the text for the noticeboard as yet, but will produce this shortly and circulate to the committee.

11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

To receive a report on the possible improvement of Pyrtle Springs (Cllr A Rolfe).
Progress on the Stratton Wildflower Garden
To agree the text for the Noticeboard.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is to be advised.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.35pm

Chairman..... Date