

**MINUTES of a MEETING
of the
HIGHWAYS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE
held in the
Council Chamber, BUCKLEY
on
Tuesday 25th June 2019**

PRESENT

Councillor J S Jones - in the Chair

Cllr V E Blondek	Cllr H D Hutchinson	Cllr C M Preece
Cllr C A Ellis	Cllr R B Jones	Cllr P G Shone
Cllr D Ellis	Cllr W A Lewis	Cllr J F Thornton
Cllr I D Howes	Cllr M J Peers	Cllr A G Williams
Cllr E J Hutchinson	Cllr N Phillips	Cllr A Woolley

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr M B Wright – Town Clerk & Financial Officer
Mrs L George – Personal Assistant
Mrs T J Reece – Personal Assistant
Mr A J White – Town Centre Manager & Technical Officer (Contractor)

17627- APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence and reasons were received and approved from Councillors I Peters (holiday), E L Preece (illness) and M P Teire (illness).

17628- DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were made in relation to this Agenda. It was –

Resolved – that no Declarations of Interest were noted.

17629- MINUTES

Resolved - that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Highways and Leisure Committee held on 28th May 2019, as now submitted, be signed by the Committee Chair.

17630- SUMMER PLAYSCHMES

The Committee received and considered an email addressed to the Town Mayor and a report from Flintshire County Council on the “Share Your Lunch Scheme”, which was introduced as a pilot to some of the 2018 Summer Playschemes.

It was noted that the “Share Your Lunch Scheme” would be wheeled out over every playscheme in Flintshire and each child would receive a hot meal each day they attended a playscheme. Buckley Town Council was acknowledged for its introduction of meals being provided to children attending playschemes and it was quoted that Flintshire County Council had “picked up the baton”. The result of the Flintshire County Council initiative was that Buckley Town Council would no longer need to provide the packed lunches. It was therefore –

Resolved – that the Clerk’s report and enclosed correspondence be received and noted. Thanks were also given to all those who had given their time in providing the packed lunches over the previous three years.

17631- TEENAGE SHELTER AT THE FLASH, BUCKLEY

The Committee received and considered a report from the Clerk together with an explanatory email from Richard Roberts, AURA. The report and email followed a meeting that had been arranged at The Flash in respect of the poor condition of the Teenage Shelter. Those attending the meeting had been Mr Roberts, Councillors N Phillips and A G Williams and the Clerk. The outcome of the meeting was a recommendation by the Clerk for the Town Council to fund repairs to the shelter, which would give it a further three to five year life expectancy. Although the Town Council did not own the shelter, the funds would be taken from the match-funded scheme for the renovation of play areas, which in 2019/20 was £5,000 from both Buckley Town Council and Flintshire County Council. Should the Committee approve the repair cost of £700, the match-funded programme would then consist of £4,300 from Buckley Town Council with £5,000 committed by Flintshire County Council. The Clerk’s report emphasised the poor condition of the Teenage Shelter and the fact that until it was repaired it should be barriered off against use. It was –

Resolved – that the Clerk’s report and enclosed correspondence be received and noted and that approval be given for AURA to be advised to repair the shelter with Buckley Town Council funding those repairs. The match-funded scheme for the renovation of play areas for 2019/20 to now require £4,300 from Buckley Town Council and £5,000 from Flintshire County Council.

17632- ITEMS TABLED FOR MEMBERS’ PERUSAL

The following items were tabled for Members’ perusal:-

1. Play Wales – Issue 52 – Spring 2019.
2. Play Wales e-bulletin – June 2019.

Resolved – that the items tabled for Members’ perusal be received and noted.

CHAIR