

BARNSTAPLE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the ROCK PARK TRUST meeting held on Monday 10th July 2023 commencing at 6.30 pm in The Guildhall, Butchers Row, Barnstaple.

Present:

Cllrs V Elkins, M Lovering, L York, P Leaver, J Coates, I Williams, D Clayton and K Stevenson.

In attendance:

R Ward, Town Clerk

N Hampson, Assistant Town Clerk (Estates)

G Maynard, SAS Football Club

Apologies: T Clarkson, G Kennedy, L Dawson and M Pullen.

263 Election of the Committee Chairperson for the Municipal Year 2023-2024

Councillor L York was nominated by Cllr J Coates, seconded by Cllr P Leaver and elected unanimously.

264 Election of the Committee Vice-Chairperson for the Municipal Year 2023-2024

Councillor J Coates was nominated by Cllr V Elkins, seconded by Cllr P Leaver and elected unanimously.

265 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Apologies and reasons for absence were received and approved (NC)

266 To receive any dispensations and disclosable pecuniary or other interests.

Cllrs L York, M Lovering, P Leaver, D Clayton & K Stevenson as members of North Devon Council, have a dispensation under SO66 to discuss and vote on any item on the agenda unless the item refers to a financial or legal agreement or a dispute between the two authorities.

267 To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Rock Park Trust Management Committee held on 21st March 2023

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Rock Park Trust Committee Meeting held on 21st March 2023 are approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairperson (NC).

268 To receive and consider the Budget Variance Report

RESOLVED: To note the budget monitoring report for May 2023. Approved (NC).

Councillors asked for information about the Reserves cash figure for Rock Park Trust **ACTION:** Town Clerk to report back to the committee.

269 Requests for use/hire of Rock Park

RESOLVED: to note that South West Inflatables have requested to use the park week commencing 21st August (NC).

270 Update on Projects, Works & Activities in the Park

The Assistant Town Clerk reported:

- Tree works have been undertaken recently that were outstanding from the previous Tree survey.
- Path surfacing from the war memorial to the SWW building has been completed and further works are currently being investigated.
- Options are being considered to help resolve flooding issued of the section of path on the edge of the area used for events.
- The toilet block has remained open since the problems with ASB earlier in the year, there is still evidence of drug use because of the needle bins but very little paraphernalia left in the cubicles.

271 To approve the delegation of the maintenance of Rock Park to Barnstaple Town Council.

Under the updated Town Council Committee Remits approved by Barnstaple Town Council at its Annual Town Council Meeting on 15th May 2023, it was proposed that responsibility for the maintenance of Rock Park be formally delegated to the Town Council Environment Committee.

RESOLVED: TO approve that responsibility for the maintenance of Rock Park be formally delegated to the Town Council Environment Committee (NC)

Responsibility for budget allocations and monitoring would remain with the Rock Park Trust Committee but some decisions will need to be delegated to the Barnstaple Town Council Environment Committee.

RESOLVED: To consider a scheme of delegation between the Rock Park Trust Committee and Barnstaple Town Council (NC).

Meeting closed 7.12 pm.

Chairman.

Signed:

Dated: