

Minutes of a meeting of the **PROPERTIES COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock on **TUESDAY** the **26<sup>th</sup>** day of **JANUARY 2010** at **6.30 p.m.**

Present: Cllr B Trew Chair  
Cllr Mrs S Bailey  
Cllr E Sherrell  
Cllr Mrs D Sellis  
Cllr J Sellis  
Cllr H Smith Chair F&GP  
Cllr D Whitcomb D Mayor

In Attendance: Town Clerk  
Works Superintendent  
One member of the Press  
Two members of the public

**449. APOLOGIES**

There were apologies for absence from Cllr E Sanders, Cllr Mrs M Govier and Cllr R Pike

**450. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Councillors were reminded that this item allowed the Chairman to receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If they became aware, during the course of a meeting of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item they must immediately disclose it. They may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is prejudicial. A personal interest is prejudicial if a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard it as so significant that is likely to prejudice the councillors judgement of the public interest and it relates to a financial or regulatory matter.

**451. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2009, previously circulated and adopted by Council on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2009.were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**452. MATTERS ARISING**

- a. Members noted the Action Log for the Properties Committee.
- b. **Archway Shop.** Members were informed that we have signed our copy of the lease, and await the final handover date. We also have tenants ready to occupy the current TIO when it is vacated for the Archway.

**453. WORKS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Members noted the report. Cllr Whitcomb asked for an update on the BMX group and was informed that they had succeeded in getting the required grant funding, and were talking to possible track builders. Cllr Smith noted that we had several areas marked for garden improvements, and suggested that one be dedicated to the memory of the late Mrs Gill Gorbutt. In general this was supported but some felt that a tree in remembrance might be more appropriate as

there were many who could be commemorated and space was limited. It was then **RECOMMENDED** that a garden be planted in remembrance, the final decision being left to full Council.

**454. MARKET REEVE'S REPORT**

Members noted the report.

**455. TOWN HALL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Members noted the report.

**456. DEVON GAMES TO INSPIRE**

Members noted the letter from WDBC, and that the event clashed with the Lions Carnival, but it had been agreed that both could co-exist in the Meadows on the 10<sup>th</sup> July. The matter of any grant in aid was referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

**457. LAND AT ABBOTSFIELD RECREATION AREA.**

A full brief had been distributed to Members. They congratulated the author on an excellent report. Mr Southall explained the bullet points, and the meeting generally preferred Option 3 with improved access and some tree and plant work to make the site safer and more viable. It was noted that the cost might be £4,000, but that would come from existing budgets. Members **RECOMMENDED** *nem con* to implement Option 3.

**458. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.**

There was no such business

Signed.....

Rising 7. 00 p.m.

Dated.....