

SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Wednesday 8th August 2018 at 10am at the Broadway Centre, Sandown, Isle of Wight PO36 9GG convened to discuss the post installation inspection report for the junior skate park

Present: Mayor Cllr Mereweather
Cllrs: Andre, Brading, Young, Humby, Cowley, Lightfoot, Teasdale
In attendance: Town Clerk Tina Bailey.
Apologies: Cllr Ward

INSTALLATION OF JUNIOR SKATEPARK

The meeting was called to discuss the findings of the post installation inspection report by Mr Figgins.

The Clerk advised that the junior skatepark site had not been opened for public use and remains secured by Herras fencing. Clear signage has been erected around the perimeter telling people not to use the equipment and photos taken as evidence.

The ramps had been commissioned and purchased from the Forge at Whippingham by the Sandown Partnership and subsequently gifted to the Town Council. The previous Clerk had been involved in the process. The Clerk advised that the Town Council had paid for the relocation of the existing fence and paying for the installation undertaken by an independent skate park company.

The inspection report highlighted serious risks which were discussed and which the council need to take action on.

Cllr Humby requested a recorded vote and the council were reminded of corporate liability.

Stage One

For safety, the ramps should be removed from the site

RESOLVED

That the ramps are removed as soon as possible. Unanimous

Stage Two

Scrap or storage of the ramps? The practicality and costs involved of moving and storing the ramps was discussed. It was suggested that the scrap value could be around £100.

Scrap – Cllrs Humby, Andre, Cowley, Young and Mereweather

Store – Cllrs Lightfoot, Brading and Teasdale

RESOLVED

That the ramps are scrapped and the Clerk authorised to arrange removal and disposal.

RESOLVED

That the public will be informed that the ramps were removed due to the manufacturing issues.

RESOLVED

That the installation of a replacement junior skatepark will be included as part of the future review of the Town Council’s play facilities.

Adizone Area

Cllr Lightfoot advised that the smaller pieces of Adizone equipment had been removed and currently stored at his workplace and asked for the Council to make a resolution to allow the equipment to be stripped, to see if any pieces were salvageable.

The removal and disposal of the remaining equipment consisting the climbing wall and basket ball hoops and panel, has yet to be decided

RESOLVED

That the Council agree that the Adizone equipment can be stripped to see if any pieces are salvageable and this will be reported back to the Council at a later date. Cllr Brading abstained.

It is noted that the depilated state of the Adizone surface left after the equipment had been ripped out does nothing to enhance the area. The Clerk advised that the security fencing now in situ, is an additional unbudgeted cost.

RESOLVED

That a quote for the removal of the surface is obtained to provide an indication of the costs involved.

Variation of Lease with Heritage

There should be no further delay with the lease as Heritage want to progress their plan asap. The Clerk advised that our Solicitor has not responded to requests for a progress report on the matter.

Casual Vacancy - Election Date

The Clerk advised that an election will take place on 4th October and had been asked whether the council wanted poll cards?

RESOLVED

To limit any further expense the council will not require poll cards.

The Mayor closed the meeting.

Mayor.....

Dated 17th September 2018