

Minutes of a Meeting of the Okehampton Town Council Parks Committee
held on Monday 2 December 2013 at 7.00 pm
in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton

Committee Members Present: Councillor Mrs C Marsh (Chair)
Councillor Dr M Ireland (Vice Chair)
Councillor K Ball
Councillor P Vachon
Councillor D Weekes
Councillor M Davies (Town Mayor)
Councillor A Leech (Chair, Planning)
Councillor Mrs M McDonald (Chair, P & R)
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (Chair, Property)

Other Members Present: Councillor C Letchford

In Attendance: Mrs J Gillard Acting Town Clerk

326. **Apologies for Absence** - Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillor T Cummings.
327. **Deferment of Business** (for comment by the public) - There were no members of the public present.
328. **Members' Questions** - There were no questions from Members regarding the workings of the Committee.
329. **Budget 2014/15** - The Acting Clerk presented the first draft of the budget for this Committee - see attached. After discussion various amendments and additions were made which are included on the spreadsheet. Outstanding questions to be investigated further -
- (i) Earmarked funds available for Simmons' grave thought to be approximately £1,500, but only £350 appearing on accounts.
 - (ii) PWLB loans, check that two loans have been repaid.
 - (iii) Ticket machine maintenance - investigate figures further.
330. **Urgent Item for Discussion Brought Forward by the Chair** - The Chair advised that the ground for the area of the play area in Simmons Park was currently leased to West Devon Borough Council. This is a historic arrangement as the site previously held the swimming pool. West Devon Borough Council have suggested that the lease be terminated to simplify and correct the records. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs C Marsh and seconded by Councillor Mrs J Goffey that the lease be terminated as suggested. All Councillors in agreement. Advised no cost would be incurred by this exercise.

Agreed second draft of budget to be presented to future meeting before approval.

Meeting closed 8.05 pm.

Councillor Mrs C Marsh
Chairman