

GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of an extraordinary Meeting of the Management and Finance Committee held at Richmond House, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Thursday 28 April 2016 at 5:06pm

Present: Councillor Paul Key (Chairman)
Councillor Matthew Boles (ex-officio)
Councillor Richard Craig
Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor Sally Loates
Councillor Ashley Perraton-Williams

In Attendance:

Matthew Gleadell	Clerk to the Council
Rachel Allbones	Deputy Clerk to the Council / RFO
Sean Alcock	Operations Manager

Also Present: Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Kenneth Woolley

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor David Dobbie

RESOLVED to accept the apologies and reasons given.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

No interests were declared.

3. RICHMOND PARK TENDERS (Papers A & B)

The Clerk informed Members that Officers had gone through all tenders and scored each tender based on the scoring matrix and provided each Member with the results. The Clerk advised that Members are able to do the same for each tender if they so wish.

The Chair suspended the meeting at 5:22pm in order for Members to look at the designs and tenders.

The Chair reinstated the meeting at 5:33pm.

The Chair was of the view that the Committee should go through and score each tender themselves, other Members were happy to note the Officers scoring and vote on the design best suits the park and users.

The Chair advised that he was not happy with the some of the Officers scoring or the scoring matrix provided.

Concerns were raised with regards to there being no side fencing on the MUGA in the Hags SMP tender.

The Clerk informed Members that he had contacted Hags SMP with regards to the fencing and they confirmed that they can remove the fencing around the fitness area and add 2m high side fencing to the MUGA and include a chicane entrance for the same price they had tendered.

A Member was of the view that it was a 'two horse race between Hags SMP and Wicksteed based on the Officers scoring, amount of new equipment to be provided and the varied age ranges in which the new equipment suits.

The Chair was very unhappy that the Clerk had contacted a tender company and advised he did not want anything further to do with the tender process.

Note: Councillor Key left the meeting at 5:53pm.

Councillor Craig took the Chair.

The Clerk informed Members that the scoring Matrix states 'Only tenders scoring over 75 will be considered for award of the final contract.'

Members discounted the bottom three companies that did not score 75 which were Monster Play, Children's Playground Company Ltd and Playscheme.

Members voted in order to shortlist the tenders that scored over 75 to a final 3, as follows: -

Allplay	0 votes for	5 votes against	
Hags SMP	5 votes for	0 votes against	
Play and Leisure	5 votes for	0 votes against	
Wicksteed	3 votes for	0 votes against	1 abstention

The above vote discounted Allplay.

A Member stated that although fun they had issues with regards to trampolines and zip wires and children's safety.

The Operations Manager advised that he would like to see the MUGA enclosed in order to limit the amount of balls entering the play equipment area.

RESOLVED to award the successful bid to Hags SMP on the proviso that they remove the fencing around the fitness area and add 2m high side fencing to the MUGA and include a chicane entrance.

The meeting closed at 6.10pm