



Sleaford Town Council  
Notes and Report of Services Panel Meeting – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
10:30am to 12:10am

Panel members present:

Cllr K Fernandes  
Cllr D Suiter  
Cllr J Thomas  
Cllr L Edwards-Shea  
Cllr H Lorimer

Meeting and Panel supported by the Deputy Clerk and Administration Officer (MW)

1. **Panel Lead's Welcome**

The Panel Lead welcomed all to the meeting.

2. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence, with reasons, were received from Councillor D Darmon.

3. **Notes from the last meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

The Panel Lead introduced the notes which had already been presented to Full Council on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021. This item was noted.

4. **Trim Trail**

The Deputy Clerk introduced this item and confirmed that Council at their meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021, approved the request for s106 funding to support the purchase of the Trim Trail to the value of £25,000.

There was a brief discussion regarding the siting of the Trim Trail together with lighting options. It was agreed to investigate lighting at a later date.

**Action: Deputy Clerk to amend the specification to give providers the option of quoting for a grouped or linear layout. Also to advise that there is no night-time lighting in the Recreation Ground and submissions to be mindful of this in their design.**

**Action: Deputy Clerk to circulate specification to panel members prior to sending out to providers, as soon as possible.**

5. **3-year play equipment strategy**

The Panel Lead introduced this item and referred to a document (Play Audit Report) he had circulated prior to this meeting. The Play Audit Report was discussed, and concerns were raised about green spaces and trees. It was confirmed that there would be a Local Green Space Assessment undertaken as part of the Sleaford Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**Action: Deputy Clerk to share the Panel Lead's Play Audit Report via email for updating by Panel Members.**

It was recognised that the majority of the play equipment within STC's play areas is very old. A question was raised of how to engage with residents to find out what play equipment they would like to see in play areas.

**Recommendation: Councillors are requested to carry out a site visit of the play areas and green spaces within their ward and document their findings using a template to be provided by the Deputy Clerk.**

6. **Water Butts, Composting Bins**

Councillor J Thomas gave a verbal report on this item.

It was noted that Council, at their meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021, had asked the Services Panel to provide a detailed report supporting an alternative water supply infrastructure at the Galley Hill/Millfield allotments. It was agreed that alternative water supply at the allotments would be a future agenda item.

7. **Date of next meeting(s)**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at 10:30am**