



BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Recreation & Amenities Committee

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MINUTES

Held on:	Monday, 14 September 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Corn Exchange
Summoned members present	Cllrs; Y Miéville (Chair), S Chapman (Vice Chair), C Stevens, S Hitchings, M Putt, H Miéville
Absent:	Cllr L Hitchings (attended online), J Robinson
Officers Present:	Town Clerk, Operations
In attendance:	Cllr G Del-Pinto, Press (0), Members of the public (0).

RA2.1 Public Session

- a. Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern, the following matters were raised.
- **Cemetery** – Criteria for Gold Award includes prevention of antisocial behaviour, consider adding CCTV. Councillors believe greater call for monitoring due to broken glass and antisocial behaviour in the town centre. Also consider friends of Blandford Cemetery.
- **Shade in Parks** – concern that equipment and seating had become too hot in the summer. Consider introducing shaded areas, starting at Park Road and then rolling out to other areas.
- **Summer Fayre** – Thanks to everyone who helped with the summer fayre, it was very successful.

RA2.2 Apologies

- a. Officer report RA2.2 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies for absence from Cllrs J Robinson due to work commitments and Cllr Hitchings (attending online) due to a personal commitment.

ACTION: MAYOR'S ASSISTANT

RA2.3 Declarations of Interest

- a. Officer report RA2.3 was received, all councillors were reminded of their duty to declare any interests in the business to be transacted and it was **NOTED** that there were no declarations made

RA2.4 Minutes

- a. Officer report RA2.4 was received and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of Monday, 15 June 2026 be approved for signing as a true record of the decisions taken

ACTION: CLLR Y MIÉVILLE

Initial:

RA2.5 Officer Report to the Committee

- a. Officer report RA2.5 was received and **NOTED**.

RA2.6 Skate Park Expenditure

- a. Officer report RA2.6 was received and it was **RESOLVED** (*unanimously* to authorise expenditure for emergency repairs to the skatepark using budget line 1305 Skate Park which has a balance of £63,781.00 (*Financial provision – 11,746.05*))

ACTION: OPERATIONS MANAGER

RA2.7 Finance Reports

- a. Officer report RA2.7 was received and it was **NOTED**.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:36 pm

These minutes will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the **Recreation & Amenities Committee** and, if approved, will be signed and dated by the Chair of that meeting.

Signed: _____ Date: _____