

## **RINGWOOD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **RECREATION, LEISURE AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE**

1. To undertake, within the overall policies and approved budgets of the Council, the following powers, duties and functions:-
  - i) Management, control and development of all playing fields, sports grounds, open spaces, play areas, skate parks and other leisure and recreational facilities.
  - ii) Management and control of the Council's statutory and non-statutory allotments.
  - iii) Management and control of the Cemetery and closed churchyard.
  - iv) Maintenance of public seats and bus shelters.
  - v) Maintenance of flowerbeds, tubs, troughs and fence railing planters and any other areas held by the Council on lease or license.
  - vi) Management of any fishing rights owned by the Council.
  - vii) Implementation of a recreational strategy for the town.
  - viii) Promotion of the provision of community buildings, including where appropriate, the allocation of grants.
  - ix) Protection of rights of way and public footpaths.
  - x) Recommending fees and charges to Policy and Finance Committee.
  - xi) Determination of any Tenders to be submitted for ground works and ground maintenance for other public bodies.
  - xii) Determination of the Terms and Conditions, including the level of commuted payments, for the transfer of open space land to the Council.
2. To advise the Council on its recreational, open space, cemetery and allotment strategies and once adopted to implement those strategies.
3. To advise the Policy & Finance Committee on Recreation, Leisure and Open Spaces issues in relation to the New Forest National Park and the Town Plan for Ringwood.
4. To advise the Council on Bye-laws with respect to open space and once adopted to ensure compliance with those Bye-laws.
5. To undertake the Council's functions in relation to flooding and to liaise with other public bodies on flood prevention schemes and other initiatives.