

Minutes of the Amenities and Estates committee held on 10th October 2013 at 7.30pm in the
Committee room of the Parish Hall.

Attendance Councillors: D. Kirwan (Chair)
A. Cooper (Vice Chair)
C. Brown
J. McDonald
S. Copper
D. Nunn
K. Boettge
I. Wilson
T. Hallard
J. Dickman

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received from Cllr Pearce.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MEETING WITH POLICE REPRESENTATIVES

No Police present.

Cllr Nunn informed the committee that he had spoken to PC Paul Toon regarding the dog that has caused problems at Knowle Park with play equipment has attacked another dog and caused damage of £300 vet bills. PC Toon informed D. Nunn that a dog on dog attack is not an offence. The Council have concerns regarding a child being attacked in the future.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public present

5. MINUTES

After the following amendment 'Councillor Wilson gave his apologies' the minutes of the Amenities and Estates committee held on 12th September 2013 were accepted as a true record.

6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

None

7. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was received by all councillors and noted.

Cllr McDonald informed the committee that both reports have now been received. Faithful & Guild are happy to help with grants.

The Committee were informed there is a youth trophy in the safe that we could make use of, possibly a Community Youth of the year award ? Councillors to make suggestions to the Clerk via email.

Knowle Park - with issues we have been experiencing at this site it was proposed to get quotes to install a metal pole so we could have temporary CCTV at the site. The Council took a vote on this it was **RESOLVED**.

8. COUNCIL WEBSITE

The site is up and running, training has been organised for Thursday 17th October at 10am. We have currently got a few issues regarding the domain however the council will be updated in due course.

9. PLAY EQUIPMENT

A springy has been broken at one of the sites caretaker is to look at this. The new swings have been ordered and we are waiting for delivery as soon as we have them the Clerk will obtain a quote from Material Technologies to have them erected. Due to the regeneration of the Stag Recreation ground it was proposed to stay with the current grass mower until the regeneration is complete before going to tender. This was voted on and **RESOLVED**. The inspection at this site has also been put on hold until completion of the project.

10. STAG RECREATION GROUND

Cllr Wilson showed picture of the current work taking place at the ground. The Committee were also informed that an instant decision had to be made regarding the flower beds. It was agreed not to have any.

11. WAR MEMORIAL

Cllr Brown has done a lot of work on this and agreed to be the lead on the project with all councillors supporting her. The application for grant aid will be going to Broxtowe cabinet on Tuesday 15th October. The committee were informed we have received a response from the War Memorial Trust who has informed us we have a good chance of obtaining a grant and are now asking for further detail and technical work on the project. It was agreed to obtain a report from an expert in the field that the trust recommend. It was agreed for Cllr Brown to move forward with this and get experts to come out and have a look at the project free of charge.

Councillor Kirwan made comments at having flags outside shops along the highway if we have the freedom parade through Kimberley next year. The Clerk to make enquires to see if any permission is required from Nottinghamshire County Council.

12. CEMETERY GATES

Pictures were shown to the committee of the gates that have been restored on Knowle Hill it was agreed for this to be displayed on the new website. Cllr Kirwan read a complaint which had been received regarding the gates and the illumination of the Chapel. It was agreed for the caretaker to look at the illumination of the chapel. Discussions took place regarding locking and unlocking the gates. It was proposed that the gates are left open and be reviewed. This was voted on and **RESOLVED**. It was agreed to keep regular contact with the police regarding a cluster of young people who are sometimes at the site.

13. ALLOTMENTS

It was agreed to advertise on Facebook that allotments are available. Cllr Wilson updated the council on 2 plots that have not been cultivated and showed picture to the committee. However they did contact the office some time ago but still no work has been done. The Committee were asked the thoughts on this. It was proposed to end their tenancy; this was voted on and **RESOLVED**. It was agreed for the 2 caretakers to clear the plots so they can be re-let.

14. FEEDBACK FROM KENTAG

Cllr A Cooper is the Chairman of KENTAG and reported back on a meeting with the leader of the County Council and colleagues regarding bringing the tram to Kimberley.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence has been received and noted by all Councillors. Correspondence 446 (Scouts) and 354 (Parent & Toddler) are asking the council for a donation it was proposed to give the Scouts £200 and Parent & Toddlers £100. This was voted on and **RESOLVED**.

16. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No comments were made.

17. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 9 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

18. KTFC

It was agreed for Cllr A Cooper to lead this project with the support of Councillors Dickman, Wilson, Kirwan and Nunn. It was agreed for the above people to look at the draft lease and discuss with Philip Horsfield.

19. HUMAN RESOURCES

The Committee discussed the contract of the Relief Caretaker it was proposed to give him a 15 hour a week contract annualised. This was voted on and **RESOLVED**.

It was proposed to add in employee's contract that pay rises in future work in line with the government guidelines. This was voted on and RESOLVED.

20. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Events – November 14th 6.30pm

Amenities & Estates – November 14th 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.35pm