

**Minutes of the Amenities and Estates Committee held on Thursday 15 May 2014
at 7.30pm in the Committee Room, at the Parish Hall, Newdigate Street,
Kimberley**

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

62. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Pearce and County Councillor Ken Rigby.

63. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

64. MEETING WITH POLICE REPRESENTATIVES

It was reaffirmed with the police representative that the council wish to continue having a strong working relationship with the police. Deliberation was given for the police to have full use of the Old School House. It was considered that should the council redevelop the council buildings, the police should co locate with the council subject to negotiation.

65. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities & Estates Committee held on 13 March 2014 be confirmed and signed

66. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

67. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT AID

Consideration was given to the criteria of a grants policy.

RESOLVED that the grants policy criteria meet's requirements.

68. STAG PLAY AREA UPDATE

Ian Wilson updated the council on Stag play area completion date and play area inspection date. The council considered whether the new playground should have an opening ceremony. The council considered a variety of prizes the children should receive for the park sign completion.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) The Stag Play Area will have an opening ceremony on the 12th June 2014. Teachers and children from local schools will be invited to attend.**
- 2) The children that win the sign competition will each receive £30.00 each and the school the children attend will receive £100.**

69. ALLOTMENTS: UPDATE

Councillor Wilson notified council that Broomhill allotment was vacant. Members were advised that an interest had been shown in this plot and will be pursued. Knowle Hill allotment site needs a great deal of work to bring it back to useable standard. It was considered that a contractor be bought in to revive the allotment site.

70. CEMETERY CHAPEL

Councillor McDonald updated members about the plans from Faithful and Gould. The drawings for the chapel extension were disappointing. These would be discussed at the next meeting on the 28 May 2014.

71. CLERK'S REPORT

Cemetery Gates

Andy Aocheduszko has volunteered to open and close the Cemetery Gates in the morning and in the evening.

Cemetery Chapel

Concerns have been raised regarding the removal of the two crosses at the Cemetery Chapel and requests that they be replaced. The crosses were removed to abide by the rules governing holding Civil Ceremonies at the Chapel.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) Councillor Kirwin will discuss the restoration of the chapel with the two members of the public**
- 2) The cemetery gates will remain open at all times.**

72. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

No accounts for payment

73. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications for consideration.

74. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public present.

75. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Full Council Annual meeting 29 May 2014.

76. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS

RESOLVED 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 they involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 9 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

77. KIMBERLEY INSTITUTE CRICKET CLUB

It was considered that the Cricket ground should be awarded funding from the Council. The Cricket club is in need of a new score board and new wiring for lighting. Councillors reviewed the possibility of the Cricket club already having funding from other sources. It was deliberated on the amount the club should receive, £8,000 or £10,000.

RESOLVED that the Cricket Club be awarded £8,000 funding; subject to business plan.

78. STRUCTURE –SUB-COMMITTEE

Further update given

79. HUMAN RESOURCES

No matters were reported.

