

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Parish Hall Committee of the Kimberley Town Council held on the 13th February, 2020 in the Committee Room, Parish Hall, Kimberley Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

Present	Cllr J Dymond	
	Cllr S McEntee	
	Cllr N Oakden	
	Cllr J Pearce	Chair
	Cllr R Plumb	
	Cllr T Rood	
	Malcolm Plumb	Acting Town Clerk

264 Apologies for absence

None received

265 Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were made by attending Councillors in respect of items listed on the meetings agenda.

266 Minutes

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Parish Hall Committee held on the 9th January 2020 were adopted as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

- Attendance list to record Cllr S McEntee in attendance
- List of apologies for absence received to include Cllr R Plumb

267 Matters arising from the minutes

The Acting Town Clerk reported the following

- Police liaison. The Acting Town Clerk reported that he had written to the Nottinghamshire Commissioner of Police expressing concern at the declining level of contact with Town/Parish Council meetings. The Commissioner had replied and his response was read out to the Meeting. After discussion it was **agreed** to forward a copy of the list of meetings for 2020/21 to the Local force Commander. It was further **agreed** to enquire about the current level of usage of the Police office adjacent to the Parish Hall.
- BT Red Telephone (heritage) Box. The Acting Town Clerk reported upon his investigations into the proposal to acquire and establish such a facility for the Town at a suitable location. The cost of buying a fully restored Box, delivery and installation, from a BT approved supplier was large, but existing

telephone box's (unused) could be bought from the BT for £1 and renovated by the Local Council. One such box existed outside the Town's centre and a photograph of its condition had been obtained and was circulated to the meeting. After discussion it was **agreed** to continue further research into this proposal ideally situated more centrally (eg. Toll Gate Square).

268 Exclusion of the Public and press.

For record purposes, it was **resolved** that the following items, involving contractual and personnel issues, would normally justify exclusion of the public and press (if they were present) and the provision of a confidential minutes record. However since no references would be recorded upon identities or details, decisions and/or recommendations would be taken, for reasons of expedience.

269 Hanging (floral) baskets 2020

The Acting Town Clerk reported that it was proving difficult to obtain more than one alternative quotation for this important provision, of both supplying, maintenance and watering of floral baskets for the current year. One additional Contractor had offered to provide the baskets but was unable to carry out weekly watering. The one full quotation received was from a new Contractor who regularly provided the full service in local communities. This quotation was reported to the meeting in detail. The cost and service received from the Contractor for 2019 was also specified to the meeting. The Acting Town Clerk mentioned that an order should be placed ASAP, and he sought the meetings directions. After a full discussion, the meeting **agreed**, in these circumstances, to accept the quotation received from the new Contractor and to place an order immediately. A full detailed report to be given to the next meeting of the full Town Council.

270 Kimberley Parish Hall. Heating and air conditioning

The Acting Town Clerk reported that three Contractors had provided detailed quotations to supply and install additional heating with additional air conditioning systems for the Parish Hall. All quotations were made fully available to the meeting. Cllr T Rood explained the reasons for this need and provided explanations upon the required works.

After a full discussion it was **resolved to recommend** to the full Town Council meeting, that the quotation received from one of the Contractors be accepted. Details of the Contractor and quoted costs would be made available to the Town Council under "exempt items" provisions.

271 Parish hall/Recreation Pavilion. Structural Survey Report

The Acting Town Clerk reminded the meeting that copies of the full survey report had been made available to all Councillors at the January 2020 meeting of the full Town Council. He suggested that whilst the Committee did not have the power/authority to decide which of the three options defined in the survey report for these facilities be accepted, this Committee (being directly responsible for both the Hall and the Pavilion) might wish to debate the options and if so agreed, make a

recommendation to the full Town Council. The three options for the Parish hall defined in the report were as follows.

- Substantial rebuilding/renovations to the existing Hall
- Demolish the Hall and build a new “single storey” new Parish Hall
- Demolish the Hall and build a new “two storey” Parish Hall

The meeting examined the details of the report with particular reference to the works and costs involved and the resulting life span for each option. After a prolonged debate Cllr T Rood proposed that that the second option (single storey upper new hall, double storey frontage) with “under hall” additional parking, be recommended for consideration by the Full Town Council. The proposal was seconded by Cllr R Plumb. Cllr J Dymond proposed an amendment favouring the first option (substantial rebuilding of the existing Hall). There was no “seconded” for this amendment. Therefore under the provisions of the Town Councils Standing Orders, the amendment was lost. The original proposal was then put to the vote and by a majority of 5 (five) votes FOR and 1 (one) vote AGAINST, the original proposal was **carried**.

272 Stag Recreation Ground Pavilion

The Committee noted the survey report which listed serious defects in the condition and structure of the building. The changing rooms, team’s rooms, toilets and referees room were all, arguably, in a state beyond reasonable and economical repair. After a full discussion, where the two options were considered (extensive repairs or complete replacement), it was proposed and seconded that the Town Council be recommended to approve the option of complete demolition and replacement by a new pavilion. Upon the proposal being put to the meeting it was **carried** by a vote of 5 (five) FOR the motion and 1 (one) AGAINST.

273 Appointment of a Council Handyman

The Acting Town Clerk and the Chairman of the Town Council had reviewed the detailed work content proposed for this appointment and the details were described to the meeting. After discussion it was **agreed** to recommend to both the HR Committee and the full Town Council that the appointment be now advertised inviting applications from suitable candidates. Interviews could be carried out jointly Representatives from both Committees and the Acting Town Clerk.

274 Date of the next meeting

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There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.15pm