

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish and Recreation Committee of the Kimberley Town Council, held on the 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 in the committee Room, Parish Hall, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

Present	Cllr S McEntee	
	Cllr J Pearce	Chair
	Cllr T Rood	
	Cllr B Samuals MBE	
	Mr M Plumb	Acting Town Clerk

275 Apologies for absence

Cllr J Diamond

276 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received from attending Councillors in respect of items of business specified on the agenda notice.

277 Minutes

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the meeting of the Parish and recreation Committee held on the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 were adopted as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

- **Minute no. 271.** Parish Hall/Recreation pavilion. Building Structure Report. **Agreed.** After “full Town Council” insert “after the recommendations contained in the report was considered” and delete “defined in the report” replace with “were agreed as follows”
- The meeting then reviewed the (draft) recommendation of the Committee contained in the final paragraph of the minute (which commenced with “After a pro longed debate .....”). After discussion, it was **agreed** to amend the original recommendation (to the full Town Council) to the following.

“It was resolved to recommend to the Town Council, the demolition of the existing building and rebuilt in a manner determined by the full Town Council”

278 Matter arising from the Minutes

Minute no 267. 2<sup>nd</sup> bullet point. BT Red Telephone Box. Cllr T Rood reported that he had written to BT asking what the cost would be (and any other conditions) if the Town Council

decided to remove, renovate and re site an existing unused and damaged box situated at a none central location within the Town. A response was awaited. **Noted.**

Minute no 269. Hanging baskets. The Acting Town Clerk confirmed that the selected Supplier had been advised that their quotation for supplying and watering the hanging floral baskets was acceptable, but the cost of using a “cherry picker” vehicle to install and then remove the baskets was under further consideration. Cllr Rood confirmed that a cheaper option was available and confirmation was awaited. **Noted**

Minutes 270, 271, and 272. The Acting Town Clerk reported that because of time constraints specified in the Town Councils Standing Orders (Max times for meetings); the Committee’s recommendations were not considered by the February meeting of the Town Council. They will be included in the agenda for the (ordinary) Town Council meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. **Noted**

279 Play Equipment Inspection

The acting Town Clerk reported that the recent routine inspection report of play equipment at both Knowle Park and the Stag recreation ground had been received. Cllr Rood provided additional information upon the inspection report and upon remedial work carried out. **Noted.**

280 Replacement/renovation of Public Notice Boards

The Acting Town Clerk reported that at the Town Council meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020 (draft minute 421/405), authority was given to commence work immediately in renovating and updating the Town Hall’s large (main) Notice Board, fronting Newdigate Street. Details of the work were defined to the meeting. Work will commence shortly, after which the remaining notice boards in the Town will be upgraded or replaced. The meeting **noted** this report

281 Millfield Allotments. Boundary trees/hedges

The Acting Town Clerk reported that a quotation had been received from a Company willing to undertake the work of clearing the borders of overgrown vegetation and removing/pruning trees along the border lines. He provided details of the daily cost for a 2 man team working each day for between 2 to 4 weeks. Concerns were expressed over the very high cost in this first quotation. Cllr Rood reminded the meeting that, as far as current records indicate, this site is owned by the Borough Council, but managed as allotments by the Town Council. The income derived from allotment rents were used for routine maintenance of pathways. He argued that capital maintenance costs should be the responsibility of the Borough Council as Land owner. After some discussion, it was proposed and seconded that the Acting Town Clerk asks the Borough Council to accept the responsibility for capital costs of maintenance, (included the Boundaries) as the Landowner. This was put to the meeting and **approved** by 3 votes for and 1 against.

282 Parish Hall. Heating/Air conditioning

Cllr T Rood explained, for the avoidance of future doubt, that the equipment for this work, consisted of **one** unit only, carrying out **both** tasks of heating (during winter) and air conditioning (during summer). The meeting **noted** this clarification. The Committee's recommendation will be considered at the Town Council meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2020

283 County Council bus services 528, 532, and 575. Service frequency.

Cllr S McEntee circulated a request by e mail to Councillors for the committee to review the inadequate frequency of these local area bus services. Cllr McEntee explained that since these services had been taken over by the County Council, the frequency had been limited to the lunchtime period, between Kimberley, Newthorpe and Eastwood. She suggested that a joint approach by Kimberley Town Council, Greasley Parish Council and Eastwood Town Council, to lobby the County Council to improve both the frequency and period of this important local service.

After a full discussion, it was **agreed** that support from both the Eastwood Town Council and the Greasley Parish Council be sought to create a combined request to the County Council to implement the needed developments of this service. County Cllr P Owen's support would also be requested. An invitation to hold a joint meeting of interested parties would also be proposed.

284 Dates of next meetings

Extra ordinary Town Council meeting	19 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020
Town Council meeting	26 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020
Recreation/Parish Committee	9 <sup>th</sup> April, 2020

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 2110hrs.