

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 12th May 2022** in the Committee Room, Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr S Boneham Cllr J Dymond - Chair
Cllr T Rood Cllr I Wilson
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Assistant Town Clerk
Members of the public - None

EE/22/129 **Apologies for absence**
Cllr S Bain and Cllr N Doherty

EE/22/130 **Declarations of interest**
None.

EE/22/131 **Minutes**
The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 7th April 2022, having been circulated to all Councillors, were taken as read. The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

EE/22/132 **Millfield Allotments**
Cllr I Wilson has not managed to speak to Steve Walters yet, still waiting for a price. Work is not due to commence until the autumn.

EE/22/133 **Noticeboards**
The survey on the condition of the noticeboards has been completed. Repairs to be carried out by the Kimberley Town Council Handyman and volunteers. Any planters not being maintained are to be emptied out to stop weeds growing.

EE/22/134 **Miners Welfare Ground**
Browne Jacobson Solicitors have recommended they sort the Trust and Charity issues first before the site is registered through Robert Barber Solicitors.

EE/22/135 **Knowle Park**
Quotes in respect of work required are progressing, this has already been agreed by Full Council. Cllr N Doherty is progressing the FCC grant bid. Cllrs S Boneham and I Wilson to finalise before 19th May 2022 and bring to Full Council.
Cllr N Doherty and J Dymond are still pursuing the land ownership issue.

EE/22/136 **Knowle Hill Allotment Side Gate**
Cllr T Rood is going to make a new side gate, already ratified by Full Council.

EE/22/137 **Buildings Maintenance Plan**
Any urgent repairs identified from the surveys are to be completed by the Kimberley Town Council Handyman as soon as possible. All other jobs will be carried out over the winter. Most of the issues identified at the Football Club and Bowls Club are to be carried out by the Clubs themselves.

- EE/22/138 **Land Maintenance Programme**
The Kimberley Town Council Handyman is to cut any grass and hedges not in Broxtowe Borough Council's programme, apart from the bigger hedges which will be carried out by an external contractor. Progress sheets to be completed and dated.
- EE/22/139 **Parish Hall**
If the new Community Hub from the Levelling Up Fund does not go ahead there should be a possibility to borrow funds from the Government to rebuild the current Parish Hall.
- EE/22/140 **PAT Testing**
It was established PAT Testing is not a compulsory requirement. It was suggested we do the PAT Testing and Electrical Inspections on a four yearly basis.
- EE/22/141 **Kimberley Parks**
Broxtowe Borough Council currently use herbicides to maintain the areas around the play equipment on the parks. Strimming the areas would be too dangerous, due to flying debris, and too time consuming so no action to be taken.
The mole hills on Knowle Park are to be left alone as they are not causing any issues.
- EE/22/142 **Chapel**
A grant has been applied for for repairs to the Chapel and new signs. The total costs are £2150 to repair the damaged brickwork, £975 + VAT for a new information display board, plus the cost of the graphics, and £148 + VAT for some directional signs. Kimberley Town Council need to match fund 50% of the total cost, £1636. Still awaiting a decision on the grant.
- EE/22/143 **Proposed Application for Grant from FA – Stag Recreation Ground**
The FA have agreed to contribute 70% of the costs up to £100,000. It could be submitted as two individual projects over five years, with the same contribution each time. The pavilion would be the first project, with the changing rooms added at a later date. Broxtowe Borough Council have agreed to match the Kimberley Town Council contribution. There is also the possibility of funding from elsewhere.
- EE/22/144 **Lengthsman Scheme**
Cllr S Boneham is going to obtain some more information on the Lengthsman Scheme and try to find a local Parish/Town Council already taking part.
- EE/22/145 **Public Question Time**
None present.
- EE/22/146 **Feedback to Full Council**
Nothing new to report.
- PR/22/147 **Dates of next meetings**
Finance – Wednesday 18th May 2022
HR – Thursday 19th May 2022
Annual Town & Full Council – Thursday 26th May
Estates & Environment – Thursday 9th June 2022

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8.40pm.