

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 9th June 2022** in the Committee Room, Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr S Bain Cllr S Boneham Cllr N Doherty - Chair
Cllr J Dymond – Vice Chair Cllr T Rood Cllr E Tansley
Cllr I Wilson
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Assistant Town Clerk
Members of the public - None

EE/22/148 Apologies for Absence
None

EE/22/149 Declarations of Interest
None

EE/22/150 Election of Chair and Vice Chair
It was proposed and seconded that Cllr N Doherty be elected as Estates and Environment Chair and Cllr J Dymond Vice Chair for the Council year 2022/23. Both proposals were agreed unanimously.

EE/22/151 Committee or Working Group
It was agreed to discuss at the next Estates and Environment meeting on 15th July due to time constraints.

EE/22/152 Minutes
The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 12th May 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/22/153 Millfield Allotments
Cllr I Wilson said he is still trying to contact Steve Walters in respect of hedge and tree cutting. It was agreed we would also obtain quotes from elsewhere.
The Clerk to advise the residents backing on to the allotments that we are obtaining quotes but the work cannot be carried out until the autumn. Cllr N Doherty to provide details of residents currently affected.

EE/22/154 Noticeboards
The planters at Babbington, Swingate and the bottom of Maws Lane have been planted and are being maintained by residents. Cllr N Doherty offered to plant the planter at Cliff Boulevard, a resident has already offered to maintain it once it has been planted.
Cllr T Rood will put some ventilation in the noticeboard at the Parish Hall to try and stop condensation.

- EE/22/155 Miners Welfare Ground
Cllr J Dymond has asked the new solicitor work through this from scratch. Kimberley Town Council will request any previous paperwork be forwarded from Browne Jacobson. Once the solicitor has established all of the legalities Kimberley Town Council will have a remote meeting with the solicitor to discuss.
- EE/22/156 Knowle Park
The grant application has been submitted to FCC. We are expecting a decision around 9th September 2022.
- EE/22/157 Knowle Hill Allotment Side Gate
Cllr T Rood advised this job is now complete and was carried out within the allocated budget.
- EE/22/158 Buildings Maintenance Plan
Most surveys have now been completed. Cllr T Rood is to advise the Football and Bowls Clubs of any work they need to complete themselves. Any other urgent repairs are to be added to the current work schedule for Kimberley Town Council's Handyman and non-urgent repairs added to the winter schedule.
- EE/22/159 Land Maintenance Programme
Kimberley Town Council's Handyman now has a checklist of tasks to complete. There will be a walk around the area by some Councillors in August to see how things are progressing, date to be arranged at the July meeting.
- EE/22/160 Chapel on the Hill
The Clerk to chase up the progress of the grant application submitted in respect of the Chapel on the Hill.
- EE/22/161 Proposed Application for Grant from FA – Stag Recreation Ground
Cllrs T Rood and J Dymond have had a meeting with a representative from the FA. We can apply for 70% of the funding required for improvements to the Stag Recreation Ground now, up to £100,000, then an additional amount at a later date. It has previously been said that Broxtowe Borough Council will match fund any contribution made by Kimberley Town Council. We need to check if this offer still stands. The pavilion would need to be done as a priority, with the changing rooms and toilets done on the second stage.
- EE/22/162 Lengthsman Scheme
Cllr S Boneham has identified some Parish/Town Councils already on the Lengthsman Scheme. The reports are all favourable. Nottinghamshire County Council have been advised that Kimberley Town Council would like more information. We will hopefully hear more later this month.

EE/22/163

Flags

A list of proposed flags was discussed and will be presented to Full Council on 30th June. Any flags not on the approved list must be agreed by Full Council before being flown. Any flags on the approved list not already owned by Kimberley Town Council are to be purchased by The Clerk. The list will be reviewed annually.

Proposed list of flags:

Union Flag: Queen's Birthday – 21st April, Remembrance Day – the nearest Sunday to 11th November and Armistice Day – 11th November

Armed Forces Day Flag: Armed Forces Day – 25th June

National Flag of England: St George's Day – 23rd April

The Rainbow Flag: Pride Month – June

Nottinghamshire Flag: Nottinghamshire Day – 25th August

Kimberley Flag: Our Town Flag – All other days.

EE/22/164

Happy to Chat Bench

There was a majority vote that Kimberley Town Council should be included on the plaque for the Happy to Chat Bench.

EE/22/165

Plaque for memorial tree at Chapel on the Hill

Cllr N Doherty and the Clerk are to organise the purchase of a plaque for the Covid Memorial Tree at the Chapel on the Hill. Already approved by Full Council, TC/21/113. To ask the vicar, Barbara, to do a service when it is unveiled.

EE/22/166

Public Question Time

None present.

EE/22/167

Feedback to Full Council

Cllr N Doherty is to do a list of suggested flags to be flown and present it at the next Full Council meeting. Also to advise Full Council we will arrange for a plaque to be made for the Covid Memorial Tree at the Chapel on the Hill.

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Dates of Next Meetings

Full Council – Thursday 30th June

Estates and Environment – Thursday 14th July

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.00pm.