

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 13th April 2023** 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
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Town Clerk
Members of the public: None

- EE/23/328 **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr T Rood, Cllr E Tansley and Cllr I Wilson.
- EE/23/329 **Declarations of Interest**
None declared.
- EE/23/330 **Minutes**
The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 9th March 2023, having been circulated to all Councillors, were taken as read. The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.
- EE/23/331 **Miners Recreation Ground**
Cllr J Dymond is in touch with CISWO to sort out the next stage on the Miners Recreation Ground status.
- EE/23/332 **Knowle Park Project**
Cllr N Doherty advised the new play equipment has been installed on Knowle Park. There are a couple of snags that still need rectifying. Work on the cycle track is due to start week commencing 24th April 2023. Once the cycle track has been completed Kimberley Town Council will need to tidy the surrounding area and grass seed where necessary.
- EE/23/333 **Knowle Hill Allotments and Cemetery**
Cllr S Boneham advised he is in discussions with Paul Wolverson at Broxtowe Borough Council to resolve the land ownership issues. The Clerk to arrange a Zoom meeting between Paul Wolverson and Cllrs S Boneham and N Doherty.
- EE/23/334 **Allotment Inspections and Tenancy Renewals**
Cllr N Doherty gave an update on the March inspections. Most plots are now in an acceptable state.
The Clerk to advise the Kimberley Town Council Handyman not to cut the grass banks on plot one and two Knowle Hill.

The Clerk advised all but two new allotment tenancy agreements have now been sent and payments have started to come in. Waiting for an update on the status on the two remaining plots.

- EE/23/335 **Land Maintenance Programme**
Cllr N Doherty gave an update on the additional plots added as part of Lengthsman Scheme. (Opposite the library, corner of Green's Lane, rear of the War Memorial and on the corner of Victoria Street).
Cllr I Wilson has updated the Winter and Summer Maintenance Programmes, these have been passed to the Kimberley Town Council Handyman.
- EE/23/336 **Building Inspections / Repairs**
The Clerk advised the new intercom in the flats has now been completed. The Clerk and Cllr N Doherty advised that the items flagged in building/HSE checklist have now been addressed.
A few changes need to be made to the Buildings Inspection Programme for the new year (including basic safety checks). Cllr N Doherty to seek some advise from Cllr D Fewster.
Suggested the annual buildings check to be carried out in May, once the new Council has taken office.
- EE/23/337 **Hedge Cutting at Knowle Hill Allotments**
The hedges have now been cut down to a manageable height at Knowle Hill allotments. To now be maintained by Kimberley Town Council's Handyman.
The Clerk to ask the Handyman to repair the hole in the hedge at plot six and not to cut the height of the hedge at plot one as low.
- EE/23/338 **Access Issue Between Noel Street and Miners Welfare Ground Playground**
Cllr N Doherty to draft a letter to the residents saying the gate can remain unless we find any legal documents stating otherwise. Originally discussed on EE/23/299.
- EE/23/339 **Chapel Repairs**
Cllr N Doherty to chase up the road repairs at the Chapel with Paul Wolverson at Broxtowe Borough Council.
- EE/23/340 **Maintenance of Play Park Equipment**
The repair to the damaged floor at the Stag Playground has been completed.
- EE/23/341 **Litter Picking in Kimberley**
The initial litter pick of the 'Kimberley Big Clean' is being arranged for Saturday 22nd April 10.00am until midday.
- EE/23/342 **Signposts and Mosaic Tiles**
Cllr S Boneham advised the grant application to the Shared Prosperity Fund

for mosaic tiles at Toll Bar Square has been unsuccessful. To revisit this project at a later date.
The Clerk advised that the Parish Hall signpost is now in position.

EE/23/343

Kimberley Logo

It was agreed to put a proposal to Full Council to employ the services of a graphic designer to commission a new digital logo for Kimberley Town Council.

EE/23/344

Petanque

The Clerk reported the following:

- The Petanque Club is now down to 12 members as some didn't re-join due to the shortage of playing facilities
- Neil Coy has ordered enough gravel to complete two or three more pistes.
- There will be an open day on Sunday 16th April 2023, in conjunction with the Bowls Club
- Competitions are being organised with Ravenshead and Nottingham City Petanque Clubs

EE/23/345

Feedback to Full Council

CLlr N Doherty is do a short feedback report to Full Council.

EE/23/346

Public Question Time

None present.

EE/23/347

Dates of Next Meetings

HR – Tuesday 18th April 2023

Full Council Thursday 27th April 2023

Annual Council and Parish – Thursday 25th May 2023

Estates and Environment – Thursday 8th June 2023

EE/23/348

Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED that, under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information.

No Excluded Items.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked Councillors for their contributions and closed the meeting at 9.00pm