



## Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023** in the Committee Room, Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllr S Boneham – Chair                      Cllr J Dymond                      Cllr T Rood  
Cllr P Saunders                                      Cllr I Wilson – Vice Chair  
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Town Clerk  
Members of the public: None

EE/23/406                      **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr N Doherty.  
Also absent, no apologies received, Cllr D Fewster.

EE/23/407                      **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr T Rood declared an interest in item EE/23/414 in respect of quotes for repairs at the Chapel.

EE/23/408                      **Appointment of Committee Members**

No new members.

EE/23/409                      **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 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/23/410                      **Public Question Time**

None present.

EE/23/411                      **Miners Welfare Recreation Ground**

The following was agreed at Full Council on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023, item TC/23/589:

It was resolved that Kimberley Town Council establishes a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' (CIO) using the Charity Commission's 'Foundation Model Constitution'.

The name of the charity to be "Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground".

The number of Trustees to be no less than three or more than seven, with up to three nominated by Kimberley Town Council, up to one nominated by the District Councillors representing any part of the parish of Kimberley and up to three more appointed by the Trustees themselves. The “first charity trustees” to be Councillors Neil Doherty, Jim Dymond and Trevor Rood. The wording of the Objects of the Trust to be agreed between the Trustees and the Council’s solicitor in compliance with the 1929 Conveyance.

There is to be a meeting between Broxtowe Borough Council’s Solicitor and Kimberley Town Council’s Solicitor in respect of Levelling Up and FA Funds potentially being invested in the football ground.

EE/23/412

**Allotments**

It was **resolved** to appoint Forest Farm Tree Services to cut the hedges and Sycamore trees at Knowle Hill allotments.

Most of the plots that had little or no work have now had some progress. The Clerk is still trying to contact one plot holder.

EE/23/413

**Playground Reports**

It was **resolved** to instruct HAGS to go ahead with the repairs to the Cone Climber on the Stag Playground.

EE/23/414

**Chapel Working Group**

Cllrs Trevor Rood and Peter Saunders gave an update on the repairs needed to the Chapel.

Quotes are being obtained for re-pointing.

Cllr Trevor Rood left the room while the quotes for repairs to the doors and doorframes were discussed. It was **resolved** to accept the quote from Jordan Rood Joinery. The Clerk to arrange for the work to be carried out.

It was agreed two additional security cameras and some security lights are needed around the Chapel. Cllr Trevor Rood to obtain quotes.

The Clerk also to chase up the Conservation Officers again to arrange a site meeting.

EE/23/415

**Cemetery Land**

Cllr Sam Boneham had an on-site meeting with the Broxtowe Borough Council Estates Manager. An independent valuation is to be carried out on the Kimberley Town Council land that Broxtowe Borough Council are currently using for burials. It is hoped Broxtowe Borough Council will allow parking on the grassed area at the bottom of the cemetery as long as grass matting is used. It was **resolved** to purchase a piece of grass matting to see how practical it will be.

A member of public has asked to install a Memorial Bench at the Cemetery. Broxtowe Borough Council do not allow the installation of Memorial Benches. Cllr Sam Boneham to notify the member of public.

EE/23/416

**Grounds Maintenance**

Cllr Neil Doherty has written to Steve Woodward. The only response has been to the letter from the Clerk saying they are running behind and they will sort the hedges and the debris at Flixton Road path.

The Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer has tidied Toll Bar Square, the planted area near the shopping precinct, cut the hedges at the Bowls Club and cut the tree back near the defibrillator on Maws Lane because of the constant mess it was leaving.

It was noted some of the Victorian lamp posts are in need of repainting. Cllr Sam Boneham to speak to Katie Oakley about permissions, Cllr Peter Saunders to speak to Cllr Philip Owen. It was agreed to obtain a quote and see if they can be painted from the Levelling Up Fund Regeneration Project.

EE/23/417

**Feedback to Full Council**

Cllr Sam Boneham to do a short feedback report to Full Council.

EE/23/418

**Dates of Next Meetings**

HR – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Finance – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Full Council - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Events – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023

Estates and Environment – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

EE/23/419

**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 20.30.