



## Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023** in the Committee Room, Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

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

- EE/23/420     **Apologies for Absence**  
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Dymond and Cllr M Morris.
- EE/23/421     **Declarations of Interest**  
None declared.
- EE/23/422     **Appointment of Committee Members**  
Cllr M Morris was appointed as a member of the Estates and Environment Committee for the year 2023/24.
- EE/23/423     **Minutes**  
The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 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/23/424     **Public Question Time**  
None present.
- EE/23/425     **Miners Welfare Recreation Ground**  
The draft constitution has been received from the solicitors. Cllrs N Doherty, J Dymond and T Rood are working through it, hoping it will be in place by the January target.  
Cllr N Doherty has been in touch with Broxtowe Borough Council for help in appointing a Borough Councillor to the Board of Trustees.
- EE/23/426     **Allotments**  
Awaiting a date from Forest Farm Tree Services for the works to be carried out to cut the hedges and Sycamore trees at Knowle Hill allotments. Cllr N Doherty to advise the relevant plot holders when the work will be done.

- EE/23/427     **Playground Reports**  
The repair to the Cone Climber at the Stag Ground will be carried out once HAGS have received the necessary parts.
- EE/23/428     **Chapel Working Group**  
Only one quote has been received so far for the repointing at the Chapel, Cllr P Saunders to chase the others up. Quotes are still needed for the guttering and the drains. Hoping to apply for a capital grant from Nottinghamshire County Council. This would need to be match funded. A decision needs to be made on which quotes we will be accepting before the January Finance meeting so the budget for next year can be adjusted accordingly.
- EE/23/429     **Cemetery Land**  
Nothing to report.
- EE/23/430     **Grounds Maintenance**  
It was agreed the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer will cut the hedge at the back of Noel Street as it isn't being done by Broxtowe Borough Council. A Risk Assessment will need to be done before work commences.  
The hedges at Knowle Hill allotments are to be kept to a height of six foot to allow the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer to maintain them.  
A dead tree at Knowle Park needs replacing, this should be replaced by Nottinghamshire County Council. Cllr N Doherty to arrange.  
Some of the Victorian lamp posts are in dire need of repainting. Cllr P Saunders to obtain a quote from Via then options are to be reviewed.
- EE/23/431     **Biodiversity Policy**  
We need to establish a Biodiversity Policy. Councillors to get some ideas together for the January meeting.
- EE/23/432     **Feedback to Full Council**  
Cllr S Boneham to do a short feedback report to Full Council.
- EE/23/433     **Dates of Next Meetings**  
Finance – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Full Council - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Events - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January  
Estates and Environment - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023
- EE/23/434     **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 20.16.