

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 11**th **January 2024** 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 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/24/435 Apologies for Absence

Absent, no apologies received, Cllr M Morris.

EE/24/436 **Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

EE/24/437 Minutes

The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 9th November 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/24/438 Public Question Time

None present.

EE/24/439 Miners Welfare Recreation Ground

The Trust Constitution has been finalised and the application has been sent to the Charity Commission. The solicitor has been asked to progress the registration of the CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation).

The Trust has had two meetings, with Neil Doherty, Jim Dymond and Trevor Rood appointed as the first Trustees. Neil Doherty has been appointed Secretary. The Trust is to go by the name 'Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust'.

EE/24/440 Allotments

The hedges at Knowle Hill allotments have been cut to a more manageable height. They will now be maintained by the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer. Allotment inspections will be carried out before the end of January.

EE/24/441 Playground Reports

The Cone Climber at the Stag Recreation Ground needs more repair work than initially thought. Awaiting a quote from HAGS.

There is a hole in the flooring under the community swing at the Stag Recreation Ground. This is not covered by any warranty from Nova Sport. It was agreed to purchase the materials to carry out the repair at a cost of £100 plus VAT. The repair can then be carried out by the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer.

EE/24/442 Chapel on the Hill

Cllr Trevor Rood to progress the quote for additional security cameras at the Chapel on the Hill and get prices for better lights in the toilet and some security lights. The repointing work needed will need to go out to Tender. Cllr P Saunders is looking into grant funding.

EE/24/443 Cemetery Land

Broxtowe Borough Council have still not responded to the issues with the cemetery land.

EE/24/444 Padel Court Installation

It was agreed not to go ahead with installing Padel Courts at the present time. The Clerk to notify the member of public the request was from.

EE/24/445 **Grounds and Buildings Maintenance**

The Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer has cut the hedge at the rear of Noel Street on the Stag Recreation Ground. This and Toll Bar Square are now looking much better. Thanks to be passed on to the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer.

Some cracks have appeared in a couple of places in flat 23A. The Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer to fill them and check out the other two flats.

EE/24/446 Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Sam Boneham to speak to the administrator at Nottinghamshire County Council about increasing the income for the Lengthsman Scheme.

To ask the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer to clear some of the blocked drains. A Risk Assessment would need to be carried out.

EE/24/447 Ridewise

Looking at options of where to put a container for the Ridewise scheme. Hoping to apply for funding from the Shared Prosperity Fund. Expressions of Interest need to be submitted by 22nd January 2024.

EE/24/448 **Biodiversity Policy**

Councillors to try and get some ideas together for the February meeting.

EE/24/449 **Budget Final Draft**

The final draft budget was discussed. A few adjustments were made. These will be bought to the Finance Committee on 18th January before presenting to Full Council on 25th January.

It was **resolved** to transfer the Parish Hall Earmarked Reserve to Chapel on the Hill

Earmarked Reserve to complete the works required as identified in Agenda Item EE/24/442, Chapel on the Hill. Any unspent money to be transferred back once the work has been completed.

EE/24/450 Feedback to Full Council

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

EE/24/451 **Dates of Next Meetings**

Finance - Thursday 18th January 2024 Full Council - Thursday 25th January 2024 HR - Thursday 1st February 2024 Estates and Environment - Thursday 8th January 2024

EE/24/452 **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 21.01.