

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 11**th **April 2024** in the Committee Room, Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 19.00.

Present: Cllr S Boneham – Chair Cllr N Doherty Cllr J Dymond

Cllr M Morris Cllr T Rood Cllr P Saunders

Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Town Clerk

Members of the public: None

EE/24/001 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr I Wilson.

EE/24/002 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

None declared.

EE/24/003 Minutes

The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 11th April 2024, 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/24/004 Public Question Time

None present.

EE/24/005 Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust

The Trustees are in the process of setting up the bank account and sorting out the rates and Charity Commission website. Will be drafting user agreements for the Football, Petanque and Bowls Clubs and seeking advice on registering the land. Administration and maintenance will continue to be done by the Kimberley Town Council staff initially and charged to the KMRG

Trust.

EE/24/006 Allotments

Allotment inspections will be carried out week commencing 15th April 2024.

EE/24/007 Playground Reports

A report was circulated prior to the meeting:-

HAGS have now completed the repairs on the Cone Climber at the Stag Recreation Ground. We have all of the necessary equipment to complete the repair to the JungleMulch below the Community Swing once the weather improves. The Walk-On Roundabout is not moving as freely as it should. Some enquiries will need to be made regarding the likely cost of maintenance/repairs.

All other equipment on the Stag Recreation Ground and Knowle Park was in a good working condition as of Wednesday 27th March 2024.

EE/24/008 Chapel on the Hill

The National Lottery Heritage Fund application will be submitted in the next few days. The work will need to go out to Tender due to the cost. Anticipating the repairs will be done in April 2025.

EE/24/009 Cemetery Land

Broxtowe Borough Council have had a valuation on the land. It now needs to go to Cabinet for discussion.

Licences have been received in respect of the roundabout and car park.

EE/24/010 **Grounds and Buildings Maintenance**

A report was circulated prior to the meeting:-

The Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer has been working on the Winter Maintenance Programme and has done some excellent work on cutting hedges at the Stag Recreation Ground and Knowle Hill Allotments. Once the bird nesting season is over they may be cut again to keep them at a manageable height.

All other aspects of the Winter Maintenance Programme have been addressed.

Work has now commenced on the Summer Maintenance Programme.

The Clerk to tell the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer that he must ensure all equipment is left on-site outside of working hours and none of his own equipment is to be stored on-site. A policy to be written up by the HR committee.

EE/24/011 Ridewise

The grant from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund has been refused. Cllr N Doherty has a meeting with Broxtowe Borough Council week commencing 15th April 2024 to discuss the reasons why this was turned down.

EE/24/012 Levelling Up Fund

The Cherry Picker has been ordered. It is due to be delivered in September. A van to be sourced and Working at Heights training to be booked nearer the time.

Planters, benches and a noticeboard have been ordered for Toll Bar Square. Living Walls will be planted at the gardens by Heron and W. The War Memorial, lamp posts, railings and bollards will be repainted.

EE/24/013 Feedback to Full Council

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

EE/24/014 Dates of Next Meetings

Full Council - Thursday 25th April 2024

Estates and Environment - Thursday 9th May 2024

EE/24/015 **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 19.57.