



## Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Estates and Environment Committee**, Kimberley Town Council, held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024** at Kimberley Institute Cricket Club, Newdigate Street, Kimberley, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 19.00.

**Present:** Cllr N Doherty - Chair                      Cllr J Dymond                      Cllr C Eyre  
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Town Clerk  
Members of the public: None

- EE/24/067      **Apologies for Absence**  
Apologies received from Cllr S Boneham, Cllr M Morris Cllr T Rood and Cllr P Saunders. Cllr N Doherty was voted Chair for this meeting.
- EE/24/068      **Declarations of Interest**  
Cllr N Doherty and Cllr J Dymond declared an interest in item EE/24/071 Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust.
- EE/24/069      **Minutes**  
The Minutes of the Estates and Environment meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 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/24/070      **Public Question Time**  
None present.
- EE/24/071      **Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust**  
The KMRG Trust is working on the user agreements for the clubs. It is hoped they will be in place in October. Looking to form an agreement with Kimberley Town Council on behalf of the residents for the children's play park.  
The water leak on Main Street has been repaired. The KMRG Trust are hoping to get a refund on the large water bills the leak has generated.  
A blocked drain has been found. This will need investigating and repairing.
- EE/24/072      **Allotments**  
Plots 1 and 2 Knowle Hill had some large branches blow down onto their plot during the recent high winds. The plot holder and the Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer have cut the branches up and removed them.  
Cllr N Doherty to investigate the reported issues with soil contamination on plot 9 Knowle Hill.
- EE/24/073      **Chapel on the Hill**  
It was agreed that the Chapel and Cemetery Working Group will undertake a review of the

Chapel's likely repairs/investments for the next one, three, five and ten years.

- EE/24/074 **Cemetery**  
There is no update on the progression of the land transfer.  
There is no update on the resurfacing of the roadway around the Chapel. Cllr N Doherty to ask the Borough Councillors to chase this up.  
The Clerk to source quotes for grass lock matting and fencing for the temporary parking area in the Cemetery. Kimberley Town Council Maintenance Officer and Cllr S Boneham to provide measurements.
- EE/24/075 **Playgrounds**  
This item was deferred.
- EE/24/076 **Grounds and Buildings Maintenance**  
Cllr N Doherty to have a walk around the grounds and check for any issues.
- EE/24/077 **2025/2026 Estates and Environment First Draft Budget Review**  
The Estates and Environment first draft budget for 2025/2026 financial year was reviewed. There are a couple of items that probably shouldn't be on Estates and Environment. An income figure for the Chapel on the Hill is also needed.  
Would like to look at alternatives to hanging baskets, or at least getting the brackets lowered. To discuss at the next Estates and Environment meeting.
- EE/24/078 **Earmarked Reserve Discussion**  
This item was deferred.
- EE/24/079 **Welcome to Kimberley Signage**  
It was agreed to propose to Full Council that we go ahead with the offer from Broxtowe Borough Council to replace the two Welcome to Kimberley Signs. To suggest one sign features the War Memorial and the other the Chapel on the Hill.  
Also to propose that the Chair and Vice Chair of the Estates and Environment Committee alongside the Clerk be points of contact for future correspondence for the scheme.
- EE/24/080 **Feedback to Full Council**  
Cllr N Doherty to do a short feedback report to Full Council.
- EE/24/081 **Dates of Next Meetings**  
Full - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
Events - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024  
Estates and Environment - Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024
- EE/24/082 **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.