



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN ENHANCEMENT & AMENITIES COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, 37 HIGH STREET ON WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2024 AT 7.00PM**

Councillors: Baxter, Cary, Cashin, Chicken, Curwen, Hemmerman, Peaks

Clerk to the Meeting: Angelina Smith (Administration Officer)

1. To Elect a Chair

The Committee resolved to elect Cllr Hemmerman as Chair. Cllr Cashin thanked Cllr Baxter.

2. Apologies for Absence

An apology was received and accepted from Cllr King.

3. Declarations

- a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring an interest should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

None.

- b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items below.

None.

4. To Agree the Minutes of the Town Enhancement & Amenities Committee Meeting Held on Wednesday 21st February 2024

The Committee resolved that the minutes were a true record.

5. To Consider the Committee's Terms of Reference

The Committee resolved to agree the Terms of Reference.

6. To Consider Any Matters Relating to Londesborough Road Cemetery

Cllr Curwen is to seek advice from Weighton Wildlife Group regarding the overgrown nettles. The Administration Officer will chase up the installation of the hedgehog houses and confirm that the regular tree inspections are still being carried out.

7. To Consider Any Matters Relating to Holme Road Cemetery

Cllr Baxter confirmed plans for the new railings were underway. Cllr Curwen and Cllr Hemmerman will visit and inspect the memorial garden and gazebo before reporting their findings to the Committee.

8. To Consider Any Matters Relating to Holme Road Allotments

The Administration Officer confirmed she would be happy to take on the responsibility of managing the allotments within the office. The Committee resolved to form a Sub-Committee consisting of four members to look at a way to move forward following ongoing issues with the allotments.

Cllr Baxter leaves the meeting.

9. Planters to the Rear of the Town Hall – Cllr Cary

The Committee resolved to remove and dispose of the metal planters around town by the end of October 2024. Cllr Cary is to compile a list of all the metal planters.

10. To Discuss Any Matters Relating to Council Owned & Operated Open Spaces

(Market Hill & Londesborough Road Car Park, Monkey Run, The Green, St Helen's Well, War Memorial Playing Field, & Aspen Play Park)

St Helen's Well – The Administration Officer will speak with the Acting Town Clerk following a report that three trees may have ash dieback.

Aspen Play Park – The Committee confirmed that plans for the adult gym equipment were still under discussion.

War Memorial Playing Field – The Committee resolved to have the handymen remove both damaged picnic benches.

Monkey Run – The Committee resolved to have the handymen remove the damaged bridge and requested that it be taped off until this can be done.

With the agreement of the Committee, the Administration Officer is to request a list from the handymen of any tools and equipment they need.

The Queen's Garden – The Committee requested that the outstanding noticeboard be installed by John Speak.

11. To Discuss Any Relevant Committee Issues (No Decisions)

Cllr Cary asked that the skate ramp be included on the agenda for the next Full Council Meeting.

Cllr Chicken reported that several issues had been raised at the recent Allotment Association Meeting and he would discuss these with the newly formed Sub-Committee or with Full Council as appropriate.

Cllr Cashin asked that the Administration Officer report an issue on Bedale Road to ERYC.

Cllr Curwen highlighted that the seating had not yet been placed back after being removed for the Christmas Tree. Cllr Cary is to chase up the outstanding repair of the paving with ERYC as this needs completing before the seating can be put back.

Cllr Peaks has been liaising with ERYC regarding the outstanding block paving near Bengal Brasserie and this will be completed by the middle of next week at the latest. They also hope to have the road resurfacing compound moved from Market Hill Car Park before Giant Bradley Day. Any road markings not yet completed will be done all together once a date has been arranged.

12. Recommendations to Full Council

That the Committee's Terms of Reference be ratified and adopted.

13. Date of the Next Town Enhancement & Amenities Meeting

To be confirmed.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chair thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.