



MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 7.00 PM ON
MONDAY 18TH JUNE 2012

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Cllr W Burton Cllr A Winchester Cllr E Every Cllr R Hobbs
Cllr E Griffin-Singh Cllr N Clarke Cllr A Brear Cllr B Ashton

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies.

2. REQUEST INTENTION OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM as per Standing Order 83 b

No intentions were received.

3. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

The Mayor requested nominations for a Committee Chairman. Cllr Clarke was proposed by Cllr Burton and seconded by Cllr Every and this was unanimously agreed by members. Cllr Clarke then chaired the meeting.

4. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Clarke requested nominations for Vice Chairman. Cllr Winchester was proposed by Cllr Clarke and seconded by Cllr Griffin-Singh and this was unanimously agreed by members.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the meeting held on the 26th March 2012 were agreed and signed as a true record. Pages RC 028 & 029 refer.

The Assistant Clerk reported she was still looking into prices for a toddler slide at Prickwillow.

Cllr Hobbs reported the new Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) was completed and is being well used. The grass edge surrounding the facility will be reinstated in the autumn as this requires re turfing etc. Comments had been received from the Larkfield Centre regarding footballs going over their fence. The Assistant Clerk had contacted Wicksteed, to seek their advice on how to remedy this problem, however they have initially suggested erecting ball catch nets on the boundary of the Larkfield Centre but will offer advice regarding heightening the fencing. The Assistant Clerk will look into the option of ball catch nets. Cllr Hobbs requested that a date be set for the official opening of the MUGA. It was agreed this would be at 10.30 am on 7th July 2012, commencing at the Larkfield Centre with coffee, followed by the official opening at 11 am. The High Barns Community Group will be invited and also all City of Ely Councillors.

6. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update dated 12th June 2012. There were no significant variances.

The Assistant Clerk reported that the goal posts at High Barns are in need of replacement. Members agreed these should be purchased at a cost of £310.00. Members also agreed that additional seating is required in this area. Cllr Clarke will look at where this could be sited and report back to the next meeting.

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7. TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON CEMETERY WORKSHOP PLANNING APPLICATION

Cllr Clarke reported that planning permission had been received for the storage shed, with conditions that the structure is erected from the materials specified in the planning application and that it is coloured green. Also all trees shown in the Tree Plan dated 21st May 2012 must be protected. Completion of the work is anticipated for October 2012, which will include the alterations to the existing workshop.

8. TO DISCUSS TRANSFER OF PLAY AREAS FROM ECDC

The Assistant Clerk advised that at the Section 106 meeting it had been reported that monies had been received by the District Council from developers for two play areas, which will eventually be transferred to the City of Ely Council. However, Mr Clarke from ECDC had advised the Clerk that as far as he is aware only Tennyson Place will be transferred. Members agreed that the goal is to transfer all play areas from the District Council to the City of Ely Council and would expect commuted sums where applicable. The Assistant Clerk will plot all ECDC play areas on a map and the City of Ely's Council own play areas, in order for members to be fully aware of their locality. The Recreation and Cemetery Supervisor will be requested to compile a table of the frequency of visits to each play area and duration at each one. Cllr Clarke will speak to Ms Conder at the District Council to ascertain the situation regarding the transfer of play areas.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Every requested that an update following the staffing review be reported at the next meeting.

10. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

3rd September 2012 at 7pm, 22nd October 2012 at 7pm. 3rd December 2012 at 7pm 4th February 2013 at 7pm, 29th April 2013 at 7pm, 24th June 2013 at 7pm.

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