



**CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
RECREATION & CEMETERY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD
AT 6.30 PM ON TUESDAY 23RD JUNE 2015**

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Cllr E Every
Cllr C Phillips

Cllr J Pearson
Cllr A Whelan

Cllr I Lindsay
Cllr C Whelan

Cllr D Warman
Cllr M Lansell

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

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. TO ELECT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

The Mayor requested nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Mayor proposed Cllr Pearson as Chairman. This nomination was seconded by Cllr Lindsay and unanimously agreed by members. The Mayor proposed Cllr Phillips for Vice Chairman. This nomination was seconded by Cllr Pearson and unanimously agreed by members. Cllr Pearson then chaired the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd February 2015 were agreed and signed as a true record. Pages RC 060 and 061 refer.

Page RC 058, Item 3 - The Deputy Clerk reported the delivery date for the van is awaited.

Item 5.1- The Deputy Clerk reported that planning permission relating to the storage containers had been applied for and a decision is expected to be received within 8 weeks.

5. TO NOTE THE COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members unanimously agreed the Terms of Reference that had been circulated with the agenda.

6. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update, dated 9th June 2015. There were no significant variances. Cllr Whelan requested that better financial information is provided on future budgets. The Mayor and Deputy Clerk will consult with the Clerk on this matter.

7. RECREATION

7.1 TO DISCUSS REQUEST FROM 1ST ELY SCOUTS

Members considered the request from 1st Ely Scouts to put 'slackline' fixings between the Scout Hall and Guide hall on St John's Road, Ely. These fixings will not interfere with the grass cutting as they will be below ground level and contained within an inspection chamber and therefore not a trip hazard. Members had no objection to this request.

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7.2 TO APPROVE QUOTE FOR STUNTNEY PLAY AREA TO REPLACE TODDLER SWING

Members considered the options and quotations presented to them by the Deputy Clerk. These being to replace the toddler swings with a like for like replacement or to have a multi play climbing structure. Members agreed unanimously to the option of a Foxtail Climbing unit from Sovereign Play Equipment at a cost of £8535.64. It was agreed to apply for Section 106 funding, for this project.

7.3 TO DISCUSS PETANQUE PITCH

The Deputy Clerk gave a brief history to members on the request for a Petanque Pitch and the various locations that had been suggested in the past. She suggested that there was an area at St John's Road Play area that a pitch could be situated. However, members agreed this suggestion was not appropriate and decided to put the request on hold for the foreseeable future.

8. CEMETERY

8.1 TO APPROVE QUOTE FOR NEW PATHWAYS/UPGRADE TO ROADWAY

Members considered the 3 quotations that had been received for the upgrade to the roadway and new pathways in the Cemetery. Members unanimously agreed to the quotation received from Grays Surfacing at a cost of £17624.00. This decision was based on the satisfactory work the Council had received in using Grays Surfacing for other projects.

9. GENERAL

9.1 TO APPROVE MOBILE PHONE CONTRACT

The Deputy Clerk informed members that the Estates Manager had requested a mobile phone for work use. It was agreed that all Estates staff should be provided with an android phone for work use. A mobile phone policy will be established and the staff will need to agree to the terms and conditions detailed within the policy. The Deputy Clerk will look into obtaining a business mobile phone contract, at around £15.00 per month, per phone provided.

9.2 FOR INFORMATION ONLY - To note Zurich Inspection reports

Members noted the Zurich Inspection reports dated June 2015. There were no faults reported.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A tour of the recreation areas and cemetery will be arranged for July. The Deputy Clerk will circulate a date to members.

A list of all the play areas the City Council is responsible for will also be circulated to members, in order for them to visit these individually.

11. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 5th October @ 7.00pm, Monday 15th February 2016 @ 6.30pm, Monday 11th April @ 6.30pm.
Additional meetings will be arranged if required.

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
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