



**CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
RECREATION & CEMETERY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD
AT 6.30PM ON MONDAY 17TH JUNE 2019**

PRESENT:

Mrs S Jay – Deputy Clerk to the Council

The Mayor, Cllr M Rouse

Cllr D Warman

Cllr C Phillips

Cllr C Whelan

Cllr A Arnold

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Cllr I Lindsay

Cllr S Bellow

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Every.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

3. TO ELECT COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Phillips proposed Cllr Arnold as Vice-Chairman, this was seconded by the Mayor and unanimously agreed by members.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 18TH MARCH 2019 AND MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th March 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record.

Page RC 090 and RC 091 refer.

There were no matters arising.

5. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update, dated 10th June 2019, there were no significant variances.

6. TO REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members noted and accepted the terms of reference that had been circulated with the agenda.

7. RECREATION

5.1 Willow Walk

The Deputy Clerk updated members on the quotations received for Willow Walk. Members were in favour of the swing and also the track and ride equipment with associated surfacing from Kompan and also the Multi play equipment and shelter, with associated surfacing for this and the existing swings from Wickstead. The Deputy Clerk is in the process of obtaining revised quotes from both suppliers and will circulate these to members once they have been received. The Mayor thanked the Deputy Clerk for the thought that she had put in to this project.

8. CEMETERY

8.1 To receive an update on the recycling area

The Deputy Clerk reported that planning permission had been received subject to an archaeological written scheme of investigation being carried out. Four quotations for these had been received and it was agreed to place an order with the cheapest quote, from AS Contracts, at a cost of £3565.50 plus £65.00 per day if a breaker is required. There is contingency of £2304.00 allowed if features are present. No demolition or development will take place until the archaeological written scheme investigation has been submitted to and approved of by the local planning authority. However, the planning consent does allow for the erection of a 6ft fence to secure the area which can be erected prior to the archaeological investigations being undertaken. She is currently in the process of obtaining quotes for this work.

The Deputy Clerk advised that should further investigations be required; these could be expensive and therefore it will necessary to request further funding from the CIL Committee.

8.2 TO SET DATE FOR TOUR OF CEMETERY

The Deputy Clerk will liaise with the Estates Manager to arrange a date for a tour of the cemetery. This will then be circulated to Councillors. It was agreed to invite the Friends of Ely Cemetery as well.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Deputy Clerk confirmed the Swift boxes had been installed.

Cllr Phillips advised the Mayor had suggested an open day at the cemetery. This could be held on the Heritage weekend in September.

Members discussed the Friends of Ely Cemetery and how this can be moved forward. It was agreed the group need to become autonomous from the Council with its own committee. Cllr Phillips and the Deputy Clerk will work together to see how this can be achieved.

10. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

16th September @ 6.30pm, 25th November @ 6.30pm, Monday 20th January 2020 @ 6.30pm, Monday 2nd March @ 6.30pm & Monday 22nd June @ 6.30pm.

Additional meetings will be arranged as required.