



**CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
STREET FURNITURE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM
ON MONDAY 24^H SEPTEMBER 2012**

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Cllr. Will Burton Cllr. Elaine Griffin-Singh Cllr. Nigel Clarke
Cllr. Roy Wood Cllr. Richard Hobbs

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Philip Eden.

2. REQUEST INTENTION OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM- *as per standing order 83b*).

No intentions were received.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (6th AUGUST 2012) & MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the last meeting held 6th August 2012 were agreed and signed as a true record. Pages STL 149 & 150 refer.

Matters Arising, Page 149, Item 7 – The bus shelter has been ordered but an installation date has not been arranged yet.

Page 150, Item 8 – this is on-going. Cllr Griffin-Singh has not received any feedback yet.

Page 150, Item 10 – Cllr Griffin-Singh has had a walkabout of the City with colleagues from ECDC and Highways. Possible locations for further cycle racks were noted.

4. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update, dated 18th September 2012. Budget setting for 2013/14 was discussed. In view of the possibility of several ambitious projects, the Committee agreed to request the following-:

Bus Shelters & Memorial Facilitation	£495
New Works	£65,000
Lighting – Energy/Maintenance	£1,100
Street Furniture	£550

5. LITTER BIN AUDIT WORKING GROUP

It has been proposed that extra litter bins should be considered for the corner of Market Street near to the Nat West Bank, the King's Arms Pub and High Street Passage near to the A10 taxi office. We are still awaiting a response from ECDC. Cllr Hobbs advised that at present, any changes to Veolia's statutory agreement have to be decided by management, which could be the reason for the delay.

6. OUTDOOR EATING & DRINKING ARRANGEMENTS

There has been no further progress with this. Cllr Burton will be writing to Highways to find out why the implementation of the scheme has been held up.

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7. SNOW CLEARING VOLUNTEERS

An appeal for volunteers was advertised in the local press and a few parishioners have put their name forward. However, it was decided that the scheme was difficult to implement and the City of Ely Council would not be supporting the scheme. Cllr Griffin-Singh will write to the volunteers to explain the situation and thank them for their interest.

8. REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC SIGN AT STOUR GREEN

After a meeting between a resident from Stour Green, Highways and Cllr Griffin-Singh, it was decided the best way to deal with the traffic issues, near to where children play, is to have “SLOW” painted on the road, both sides of the junction. The residents in the area have raised the money for the cost of the road painting and the work will be carried out in either October or November and then maintained by Highways.

9. CITY CENTRE SIGNAGE

Members were shown examples of the proposed street signage for the passage ways in Ely. The approximate cost, which would include the name of all the current shops, would be £5,058. For new retailers taking over business premises, a charge of £50 would be made for their shop’s name to appear on the sign. Cllr Hobbs suggested that the Council would need to have a debate about why the signs are needed and who actually wants the signs.

10. WAR MEMORIAL ELECTRICAL TESTING

Electrical testing of the war memorial is now due. It was agreed that a local electrician would be contacted to carry out the testing.

11. LITTER BIN/DOG BIN STICKER PROJECT

Those members present agreed to take note of any litter bins in their area that could also be used to accept bagged dog waste and apply a sticker to the bin that indicates that bagged dog waste is accepted. It was agreed that this was not appropriate for city centre litter bins or for bins located near to a bench.

12. A.O.B.

There was no further business to discuss.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The set date of the next meeting on 6th November 2012, was not confirmed.

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Committee Chairman
6th November 2012