



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
ASSETS & ACQUISITIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 24TH JUNE 2019 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mrs S Jay – Deputy Clerk to the Council
Cllr R Morgan
Cllr C Whelan

Cllr K Wilkins

Cllr I Lindsay

Cllr A Whelan

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Rouse, Every and Austen.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members reviewed the terms of reference that had been circulated with the agenda. A change to the working groups was agreed as there is only a Sessions House working group, which will report back to the committee. The election of committee Vice Chairman was not included on the agenda, however as it is part of the terms of reference Cllr Morgan requested nominations. As 3 committee members were absent from the meeting it was agreed Cllr A Whelan would temporarily be Vice Chair until the next meeting, which will be in September.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 6TH JUNE 2018 AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26th June 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record. Page AA22 & AA23 refer.

Matters arising – AA22, Item 4. The Maltings – The Deputy Clerk reported that the Venue Manager's temporary contract had now been made permanent, pending approval at the Full Council meeting next week.

5. SESSIONS HOUSE – To receive an update.

Cllr Lindsay gave a brief update of the meeting of the Sessions House working party held on the 13th July 2019. A full report will be presented to Full Council. He reported the fallen coving in the court room had now been replaced. The redundant electrical equipment has been removed. Quotes for replacement of the electric heaters in the hall and the decorating of the court room are being sought. He had met with the Conservation Officer regarding permission to install an air-conditioning unit in the Council Chamber and had been advised to seek advice from an engineer and to put a proposal together. Therefore, the Deputy Clerk had arranged for an air-conditioning company to attend this week. Signage in the building will be looked at once the decorating is complete. The Council had been approached by a film company who would like to make a short film in the cells, entitled Carrion.

6. MALTINGS COTTAGE

The Deputy Clerk explained the current situation with the Maltings Cottage. After discussion, members agreed that as the highest scoring applicant had not given a firm acceptance to proceed based on the terms offered, it is necessary for the Clerk and the Mayor to have further discussions with ECDC regarding the lease.

7. HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES – To note Zurich Inspection reports.

The Deputy Clerk reported Zurich had carried out inspections at the Maltings, on the Stair lift and also the air and water pressurisation valves in the boiler room. Minor faults had been reported and will be repaired as soon as possible.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no any other business.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 30th September at 6.30pm.