



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL

DECISION LIST FROM THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.00 PM

AGENDA ITEM NO	ITEM	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
1	Apologies and Reasons for Absence	To note any apologies and reasons for absence from Councillors.	Apologies were received from Cllrs Arnold, Warman and Wilkins. Their reasons for absence were accepted.	
2	Councillor Requests for Dispensations	To note any Councillor requests for dispensations.	No requests for dispensations were received.	
3	Declarations of Interests	To note any declaration of interests from Councillors.	No declarations of interests were received.	
4	Minutes of the last meeting held on the 16th August 2021 and Matters Arising	To agree the minutes of the last meeting and any matters arising from these.	The minutes of the meeting held on the 27th September 2021 were agreed as a true record. They were signed by the Chairman. Matters arising:-Page 1926, item 20 - Cllr Phillips requested that Councillors be kept up to date, on a regular basis on the progress of this project and in due course be appraised of the outcome of the success of the bid to the Combined Authority. Cllr Every confirmed that the CCTV Working Group would do so. Page 1922, item 19 – Cllr Lindsay confirmed he would be representing the Council at ECDC’s Licensing Committee in relation to the Council’s objections to this application.	CCTV Working Group
5	Chairman’s Announcements	To receive any announcements from the Chairman.	The Chairman hoped that as many Councillors as possible would be able to attend the Remembrance Services on the 11th and 14th November.	

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6	Question Time	To receive questions from members of the public.	<p>A parishioner, who was also the Chairman of the East Cambs Access Group asked several questions in relation to the digital signage planned for the City. The Clerk agreed to respond to these by email. A representative from the City of Ely Allotments and Gardens Association informed Councillors, a response from the ECDC Planning Officer to the questions that were raised at the last Full Council meeting, regarding the allotments on the new development North of Ely, had still not been received. The Clerk had chased this several times and had been informed due to workload the response should be received by the end of this week.</p> <p>Another parishioner asked Councillors what the Council was doing with regard to the Maltings Cottage. A proposal had been submitted some time ago from them and they requested the Council consider this. Cllr Rouse proposed this should be discussed at the next Assets Committee meeting. This was agreed.</p>	<p>TC</p> <p>Assets Committee</p>

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7	Reports from County Councillors and District Councillors	To receive reports from County Councillors and District Councillors.	Written reports were received from County Cllrs Coutts and A Whelan, ECDC Cllrs Every and C Whelan. Copies of which are attached to the minutes. Cllr Every requested that Cllr Coutts includes more information in relation to children and young people and education in his next report from County Council. He agreed to do so. Cllr Lindsay requested that the report be received earlier so Councillors had time to read all the information provided.	
8	Mayor's Engagements and Report	To receive a report from the Mayor on the engagements they had attended.	The Mayor had attended Thetford Council Civic Reception; the Pantomime launch; tree planting at Spring Meadow Infant & Nursery School; Rainbow play group open day; careers and skills event in the Cathedral, performance by Ely Choral Society, attended the Apple Festival and the High Sheriff's Justice Service.	
9	Planning	To receive a report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee on the planning applications considered at the meeting before the Full Council meeting.	Councillors noted the report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee.	
10	Information Only Items	To receive and note items for information only.	Councillors noted the items for information only.	

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11	Committee Reports	To receive reports of Committee meetings	<p>Councillors noted the reports from the Committee meetings:- Personnel, Finance & Governance, CIL Sub-Committee, Climate & Environment, Assets and Tourism and Town Centre minutes – decisions will be detailed in minutes, plus in Committee decision lists issued after the meetings. Assets – Councillors approved the price increase in the cost of the new equipment in the Park play area at a cost of £1268.28. Approval was given for the purchase battery operated trimmers at a cost of £3900 plus VAT. Two quotes had been obtained for the pathways in the new Sensory Gardens and a third awaited. Approval was given for the Deputy Clerk to place an order for the cheapest quote, which would be in the region of £12,000 and will be funded by CIL. The Local Needs Housing Scheme will be promoted in the next edition of the Elyi. Following the tendering process that LGSS had conducted on behalf of the Council via Crown Commercial Services for replacement retractable seating, it had been agreed to accept the tender submitted from Wagstaff Interiors Group at a cost of £106,898.00 with 20% of the cost to be funded from CIL and the remainder from a PWLB loan. An order will be placed, and the installation will take place in September 2022. Cllr Rouse proposed that Full Council approve £47,000 from the General Reserves budget in order to proceed with vital projects at the Maltings, these being replacement hall and foyer lighting, new windows, cellar door and a water softener. This was seconded by Cllr Phillips and approved.</p>	<p>SJ</p> <p>Comms & PR WG</p> <p>SJ</p>

12	Reports from External Meetings	To receive reports from external meetings.	<p>Councillors noted the minutes of a meeting of the Prickwillow Village Council, held on the 19th July 2021. Minutes of the City of Ely Allotments and Gardens Association meetings held on the 18th August 2021 and 15th September 2021. Cllr Denness had agreed to attend the next meeting of the Association to see what would be required of her if she were to become the Council's representative. Cllr Rouse thanked the Association on behalf of the Council for maintaining the flower beds on St Mary's Green. He felt they always looked so good and it was much appreciated. The minutes of the AGM of the Ely Ribe Association held on the 28th September 2021 and the notes of the Executive Review Group held on the 29th September 2021. Cllr Every informed members she had attended a meeting of the Padnal Internal Drainage Board. They are responding to the Network Rail Consultation with regard to Queen Adelaide and have agreed to copy the Council in on their response. Flooding of the Fens was another concern raised at this meeting and she felt the Council needed to have more information on this. She agreed to obtain this information and bring back to a Committee meeting for further discussion.</p>	<p>RD</p> <p>EE</p>
13	To Make Comments on ECDC's Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme Proposal Consultation	To make comments on ECDC's Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme Proposal Consultation	Councillors agreed to make comments on this consultation as individuals.	Councillors

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14	To Receive an Update Regarding the New Digital Signage Boards	To receive an update regarding the new digital signage boards	The Clerk had provided a written update on the new digital signage boards.	
15	Presentation by Cllr R Denness Regarding 20's Plenty Speed Reduction Campaign	Presentation by Cllr R Denness regarding 20's Plenty Speed Reduction Campaign	Cllr Denness gave Councillors information on this scheme and it was agreed that as the Council already has this within the Climate & Environment Committee's Action Plan, the Council should move forward with this.	RD
16	Finance	To note and approve payments of the Council and to note the bank reconciliations for the periods ending 30th September 2021 and 31st October 2021	Councillors noted and approved the payments of the Council and noted the bank reconciliations for the periods ending 30th September 2021 and 31st October 2021.	