

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 at Oaken Grove Community Centre at 7pm

<u>PRESENT</u>	Cllr T Carmichael	Cllr M Guilford
	Cllr R Pearson	Cllr N Wyatt
	Mrs L Winch (Clerk)	Cllr E Pearson

**1. To elect a Chairman**

Cllrs Guilford and R Pearson were both proposed to become Chairman. A vote was taken, and Cllr Guilford was voted Chairman with 3 votes for and 2 against.

**2. Approve reasons for absence**

None.

**3. Disclosures of interest**

None.

**4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

Proposed by Cllr T Carmichael, seconded by Cllr N Wyatt, and **resolved** with 4 votes for and 1 abstention, to approve the minutes of the Recreational and Open Spaces Committee and the Community Assets Committee meetings held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2022 as a true and accurate record.

**Ongoing Business and Progress**

**5. Committee terms of reference**

Proposed by Cllr T Carmichael, seconded by Cllr N Wyatt and **resolved** unanimously to elect Cllr T Carmichael as the Vice Chairman.

Proposed by Cllr M Guilford, seconded by Cllr T Carmichael and **resolved unanimously** to adopt the terms of reference of the committee and recommend these to the Full council for approval, with one amendment.

Standing Orders were suspended as a member of the public spoke re the allotments.

**6. Allotments and opportunities for produce growth in Haxby**

6.1 The Clerk gave an update on the allotments including rents and the waiting list. A request has been made by a resident who lives adjacent to the allotments and requests permission to access their garden through the allotments for a building project.

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr T Carmichael and **resolved** to agree to the request, on the condition that the boundary is returned to the same condition it was prior to the building works and there is no damage.

6.2 Proposed by Cllr M Guildford, seconded by Cllr N Wyatt and **resolved** unanimously to agree that,

1. Update the agreements and email contact details,
2. A budget line for the recording of rental income should be ring fenced
3. Two inspections will take place in April / May and Sept / October, each year. This year the inspections will be conducted by Cllr Guildford, Cllr Wyatt, the Clerk and Mr Fitzhugh.
4. Judging will take place for the best allotment plot in September for a £100 prize.

Actions for the Clerk – to identify a spare allotment for a community garden.

Action for Cllr Wyatt – A survey of places in the community, suitable for growing.

Action for Cllr E Pearson – An enquiry to York City Council re the old library site, could this be suitable for a community garden?

## **7. Review of a resolution**

Proposed by Cllr E Pearson, seconded by Cllr R Pearson, and **resolved** unanimously that the council undertake the white lining on both junior and senior pitches for the 2022 to 2023 season, reviewing the process at the end of the council year subject to the possibility that an alternative way of managing the sports field may be in place.

## **8. To review and receive updates on outstanding actions from the council year 2021 – 2022**

The Clerk gave an update on work to date.

Proposed by Cllr M Guilford, seconded by Cllr R Pearson and **resolved** with 4 votes for and 1 abstention to agree that a composite three-seater traditional styled bench will be placed in 4 locations throughout the village including the Wyre Pond, Village Green, Ethel Ward Playing field and York Road.

## **9. Request to use Ethel Ward Playing Field**

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson seconded by Cllr N Wyatt and **resolved** unanimously to agree that the Ethel Ward Playing Fields pavilion may be used for Haxby playgroups for a jubilee lunch on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June.

## **10. To notify the committee of a picnic bench donation**

The committee received and noted the information.

**11. Promotional Opportunities**

Sponsorship of seating in the village area, on Facebook.

Toilets vandalised – once again youths have damaged the toilets in the shopping arcade, all be vigilant and contact Police immediately.

**12. To notify the Clerk of any item for future agendas**

Potential growing areas

Membership of the Allotment Society for a year

Sponsored bench policy

**13. Next meeting date**

The next meeting of the committee will be on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2022, at 7.30pm in the Scout Hut, York Road Haxby.

Meeting closed at 20.53 hours

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Chairman

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