

**Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2022 at the Scout Hut York Road Haxby, at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr T Carmichael Cllr R Pearson  
Cllr N Wyatt Cllr J Secker  
Cllr E Pearson Ms S Kala (Admin Officer)

**1. Approve reasons for absence**

Resolved to approve Cllr M Guilford reason for absence.

**2. Disclosure of Interest**

None

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting**

Proposed by Cllr T Carmichael, seconded by Cllr R Pearson, and **resolved** to approve the minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 with one amendment - to elect a Chairman - to be corrected as E Pearson and not R Pearson

**4. Sub-Committees of the Amenities Committee**

**4.1** Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr J Secker, and **resolved unanimously** to approve membership of the Carnival Sub-Committee as, Chairman Cllr R Pearson, Vice-chairman Cllr C Mulholland, Cllr J Secker, Mary Crawford, Lesley Beverley, Steve Gray.

**4.2** Proposed by Cllr J Secker, seconded by Cllr N Wyatt, and **resolved unanimously** to, Re-establish the Ethel Ward Playing Field Sub-Committee with the following membership, Cllr C Mulholland, Cllr R Pearson, Val Kennedy, Mark Preston.

The Clerk will be asked to provide terms of reference at the next meeting of the Amenities Committee.

**Ongoing Business and Progress**

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

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr E Pearson and **resolved unanimously** to bring the resolution tracker to the next meeting.

## 6. Allotments

6.1 An update of the allotment inspection of the 16<sup>th</sup> of June was given by Cllr Wyatt,

- The walkabout was attended by Cllr M Guilford, Cllr N Wyatt, two other allotment holders, Town Clerk Ms. L Winch and Admin Officer S Kala.
- Access for disability was discussed. An application to the LNER Community Grant to develop accessibility options will be made by S Kala.
- A draft of a new tenancy agreement is required for new tenants, and this format should be extended to existing tenants.
- An approach should be made to the City of York Council for alternate sites for new allotments or a community garden in the area, this could include the old library site, Oaken Grove Garden area, etc
- New signage and markers should be placed to make the allotment plot areas clearer, and areas require tidying with main passage between allotments being clear, and trees and brambles cut down to size.
- A plan to divide the vacant sites into smaller areas should be investigated, so that more people can be given an allotment, due to the current length of the waiting list (40)

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr T Carmichael and **resolved unanimously** to ask for an agenda item to be placed on the Oversight and Budgeting Committee to discuss the funding of the proposed works.

6.2 An email from a member of the public re growing areas on Ethel Ward Playing Field was received and noted. At present there is no feasibility in allowing Ethel Ward to be used for planting.

## 7. Fairground request to attend September 2022

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr E Pearson and **resolved unanimously** to allow the fairground access in September to the Ethel Ward playing field for the carnival.

## 8. River Foss society membership

Proposed by Cllr E Pearson, seconded by Cllr J Secker and **resolved unanimously** to pay for the membership after the committee hears from the activities of the FOSS Society about the benefits of being a member.

## 9. Haxby Netball team

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr T Carmichael and **resolved unanimously** to request an agenda item at the next meeting of the Oversight and Budget committee, to discuss quotes received for a new re-surface of the netball court.

V Kennedy to acquire quotations for this cost. Cllr E Pearson to check the feasibility of approaching York City Council for community funds.

**10. Promotional Opportunities**

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson, seconded by Cllr J Secker and **resolved unanimously** to request an agenda item to the full council meeting re a monthly advertising space in the Handy Mag.

**11. To notify the Clerk of any item for future agenda**

Responsibility for the upkeep of the outside areas of the Scout Hut.  
Ethel Ward Playing Fields pavilion maintenance costs

**12. Next Meeting date**

The next committee meeting will be held on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of July at 7.30pm in the Scout Hut, York Road, Haxby.

The meeting closed at 21.00 hours

Chairman .....