

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 20th October 2015.**

Present:- Councillor G Bellamy – Chairman;

Councillors R Butcher, S Butler, K Gulson, S Howell, J Lusted, D Porteous, A Rees, S White and J Willis.

In attendance – H Taylor, Mr R Bingham and Councillor C Bolton.

CF40. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors S Howe (personal) and M Oliver (work).

CF41. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were received.

CF42. MINUTES

Councillor K Gulson proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 22nd September 2015. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF43. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the public wished to speak.

(the Chairman agreed to consider item CF46 next, the order of agenda thereafter remained the same).

CF46. PARISH PLANTING SCHEME

With the aid a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members considered an application to the Parish Planting Scheme for hedging to be planted in the cemetery along the A15. Members were advised that the fence next to the A15 is deteriorating progressively and would be expensive to replace. A hedge would form a security barrier, screening from the road, absorbs pollution and would be aesthetically pleasing. Mr Bingham, Tree Warden for Yaxley, added that he would be prepared to plant the hedge and maintain it for 3 years to ensure it was established. Members suggested that additional hedging be purchased by the Parish Council to in-fill the existing hedge on Waterslade Lane. Following which and on the proposition of Councillor K Gulson and seconded by Councillor R Butcher it was **RESOLVED** that an application be made to the District Council, under the Parish Planting Scheme, for hedging for the cemetery and a request be made to purchase an additional 100 plants to infill the hedge at Waterslade Lane.

At the same time and in response to concerns raised at the meeting, Mr Bingham agreed for the Countryside Trust to look at the overgrown hedge at Waterslade Lane prior to the Remembrance Day parade with a view to cutting some of it back.

CF44. 3G PITCH HIRE

Following the opening of the new 3G pitch on Monday 19th October 2015 and by way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members reviewed the hire charge for the new 3G surface. Having been advised that the new pricing would come into effect on 1st January 2016 and would be monitored to ensure it was pitched at the right level, Councillor K Gulson proposed that the new rate for Adult teams be £40.00 per hour and under 16 teams be £35.00 per hour. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and **RESOLVED**.

CF45. COMMUNITY GRITTING SCHEME

In considering details of a Community Gritting Scheme, Members discussed which areas of footways and footpaths could be gritted by the small army of volunteers and the Council workforce. It was suggested that areas of footpaths on Daimler Avenue, Bentley Avenue, Folley Close, Westfield Road, Cookson Close, Church Street, Chapel Street, Middleton's Road, Landsdowne Road and the path across the Recreation Ground be put forward to the County Council for inclusion in the scheme.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm

Signed

Chairman.