

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 23rd May 2017.**

Present:- Councillors R Butcher, K Gulson J Lusted, J Orchard, D Porteous and J Willis.

In attendance – H Taylor.

CF1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor R Butcher and having been seconded by Councillor J Orchard, it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor J Lusted be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Councillor J Lusted in the Chair.

CF2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillor G Bellamy (personal), C Bolton (work commitments), S Butler (personal) and S White (work commitments) .

CF3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

CF4. MINUTES

Councillor J Willis proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 25th April 2017. This was seconded by Councillor D Porteous and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF5. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor K Gulson, seconded by Councillor R Butcher, it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor G Bellamy be elected Vice Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

CF6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

CF7. ALLOTMENTS – ANNUAL INSPECTION ARRANGEMENTS

It was proposed by Councillor J Willis that herself and Councillor D Porteous be called upon to aid the Booking Clerk with the allotment inspections. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and **RESOLVED**.

CF8. ANNUAL PLAY AREA SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

Consideration was given to the content of a report produced by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) summarising 2 items identified as Medium/Low risk as part of the annual play inspection report. Having been advised of the action undertaken by the Clerk and Grounds team in response to the inspection it was proposed by Councillor J Lusted that the report be accepted and its contents noted. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

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CF9. CEMETERY UPDATE

The Clerk updated the Committee regarding the triangular piece of land in the top corner of the old cemetery. Members were advised that the land in question belongs to O & H Hampton and therefore could not be used for burials.

CF10. SHREDDER UPDATE

It was reported that a Greenmech shredder had been purchased. The machine had been delivered that day and would be in use at Green Park that week.

CF11. GREEN PARK OPEN SPACE UPDATE

The Clerk reported that she had met with Reg Bingham and Philippa Crooke at Green Park earlier that day to identify short and long term goals for the area. Members were informed that children had been using the stacked branches left to attract wildlife as dens and that these had been dragged to the grass area. The plan was to clear the grass area of these branches and work would start on Thursday. The area had also seen an increase in fire related incidents including the burning of the lid on the new bin. In that respect, the installation of the new benches would be put back until the autumn. With regard to long term, it was recommended that the surrounding areas be left to grow back, which would encourage wildlife.

CF12. ADULT OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT

Councillor K Gulson updated the meeting on progress to install adult outdoor gym equipment in the Recreation Ground. It was reported that 3 quotes had been received, all offering different packages, and that the Working Group would be meeting soon to discuss them. Following which the Working Group's recommendations would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed *J. Husted*

Chairman.