

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee  
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019.**

Present:- Councillor P Richardson – Vice- Chairman

Councillors R Butcher, K Gulson, S McMullon, G Needham, M Oliver, D Porteous,  
S Sanderson, M Southgate and S Wayland.

In attendance – H Taylor (Clerk)

**CF51. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence from the meeting was received and accepted on behalf of Councillor J Lusted (personal).

**CF52. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillors R Butcher, K Gulson and P Richardson declared “other” interests in Item No.CF56 by virtue of being allotment holders.

**CF53. MINUTES**

Councillor K Gulson proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018. This was seconded by Councillor D Porteous and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

**CF54. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

**CF55. DISABLED ROUNDABOUT**

The Clerk gave a verbal update on the installation of a new wheelchair friendly roundabout in the Recreation Ground. It was explained that due to issues with the supplier of the roundabout its installation had been delayed further. The Clerk would be meeting with the Project Manager for Sovereign this week to discuss a way forward. Should the discussions be unsatisfactory Councillor K Gulson proposed that the Clerk, after consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee, be authorised to review the situation and if necessary, order with a different company. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

**CF56. ALLOTMENT RENEWALS**

Members were advised that the invoices for the 2019 rent were sent out at the end of December and two thirds of the payments have been received. The remaining plots will be sent reminder letters. There are currently six on the waiting list for an allotment.

**CF57. NORTH HUNTS COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME**

The Clerk reported on a meeting of the North Hunts Community Car Scheme she had attended with the Chairman. It had been a very informative meeting which reaffirmed the important role this project plays in the community. The Clerk explained that it was likely that the scheme would be losing their funding from the County Council and that she was in talks with the Group’s Chairman to see if the Parish Council could help them with a venue for coffee mornings and with a phone sim. In supporting the work of the Group, Councillor R Butcher proposed that the Group be offered the free use of Queens Park hall as a venue for the coffee mornings, this was seconded by Councillor K Gulson and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

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**CF58. SKATE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT UPDATE**

Further to Minute No CF49, it was reported that Councillors Butcher, Gulson and Wayland had met with the current maintenance contractor to discuss the design for the skate park expansion. As a result of which it was suggested that the design tabled at the previous meeting be reduced in height to 3 foot to cater more for the younger skaters. It was mentioned that the existing ramps could not be extended or interlinked with any new structure due to changes in health and safety regulations and a change in the materials used for construction. The contractor had agreed to produce a design and quote for the project.

The Clerk reported that she was in discussions with a graffiti artist with a view to having the sides of the existing skate ramp painted with a fresh design. With regard to funding, Members were advised that the project had been accepted for Tesco's bag of help grant scheme and would be put to a customer vote in five local Tesco stores during March and April 2019 with the possibility of receiving between £1,000 and £4,000. Members suggested that once the work had been completed the facility should be promoted by way of a launch day.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm

Signed ..... *J. Lusted* .....

Chairman.