

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 23rd November 2021 at
7.00pm.**

Present:- Councillor J Lusted – Chairman;

Councillors R Butcher, D Chapman, K Gulson, A Knight, S McMullon, A Minns, G Needham and S Wayland.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor (Clerk).

CF35. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence from the meeting was received and accepted on behalf of Councillor M Oliver (work related).

CF36. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

CF37. MINUTES

Councillor R Butcher proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 28th September 2021. This was seconded by Councillor S McMullon and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF38. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

CF39. BUDGET 2021/22

Members were presented with a budget report as at 30th September 2021 (a copy of which has been appended in the Minute Book). In discussing the various budget headings, actual spend against predicted and the proposed figures for 2022/23, Members' attention was drawn to allotment fees and it was felt that there should be no increase in the current rates for 2022. With regard to the Community Fridge budget, Members were of the opinion that next year's figure should be increased to £750 which would cover the cost of a food bin (item CF43 refers). Subject to this change, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that the budget be recommended to Full Council for approval and the allotment fees remain the same for 2022. This was seconded by Councillor G Needham and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF40. DISABLED ROUNDABOUT - SOVEREIGN

The Clerk was disappointed to report that the disabled roundabout was still with the metal specialists at Sovereign and no date had been given for its reinstalment.

CF41. THE GREEN CANOPY PROJECT - UPDATE

Further to CF30, the Clerk reported that the Grounds Team had planted twenty-one trees as part of the Green Canopy project celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Members were disappointed to note that three of the trees in the Recreation Ground had been vandalised as had their replacements.

CF42. TREE WORKS UPDATE

The Clerk reported that all the work identified during the annual tree survey had been awarded to a local tree surgeon. Members were pleased to note that the level of work was low which reflected the Council's ongoing tree maintenance programme.

CF43. COMMUNITY FRIDGE UPDATE

Councillor K Gulson advised that the Community Fridge has handed out over 13 tonnes of since April, with a total of 2693 food bags. Councillor S Wayland congratulated everyone who had made this possible and reiterated that the fridge was a fantastic way of ensuring surplus food didn't go to landfill and was open to all residents.

The Clerk referred to the disposal of any surplus food that could not be distributed due to it being out of date or inedible, she suggested that a fortnightly food bin collection at a cost of £4.50 per lift would ensure that the food then went to compost rather than landfill. Members were advised that the cost would be included in next year's community fridge budget (Minute No. CF39 above refers).

CF44. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor R Butcher and seconded by Councillor A Knight that the meeting should be closed to the public and press at 7.30pm.

CF45. VE DAY AFTERNOON TEA ARRANGEMENTS

Having considered quotes received to supply afternoon tea for 90 guests for the V E Day Celebrations on Friday 6th May 2022, Councillor R Butcher proposed that the quote from AB's BBQ Shack be accepted. This was seconded by Councillor G Needham and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF46. SKATE PARK EXTENSION

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Annex to the Minute Book), Members were advised of the quotes received for the skate park extension. Members were reminded that the work had been previously awarded in 2019 but as a result of covid and other factors beyond anyone's control, the Contractor could no longer undertake the work. Having considered the information before them, it was proposed by Councillor A Knight, seconded by Councillor S Wayland and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the quote from Kings Ramps to build a skate park extension be accepted.

CF47. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business being concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor R Butcher and seconded by Councillor A Knight that the press and public should be readmitted to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.36pm

J. Husted

Signed

Chairman.