Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 22nd February 2022 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor J Lusted - Chairman;

Councillors R Butcher, D Chapman, A Knight, A Minns, G Needham and M Oliver.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor (Clerk).

CF48. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence from the meeting was received and accepted on behalf of Councillors K Gulson and S McMullon.

CF49. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

CF50. MINUTES

Councillor R Butcher proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 23rd November 2021. This was seconded by Councillor A Knight and unanimously **RESOLVED.**

CF51. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

CF52. CEMETERY FENCE / O & H HAMPTON BOUNDARY

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book), Members' attention was drawn to the condition of the fence line around the Cemetery. The Clerk explained that O & H Hampton had been contacted regarding the fence along the A15 which was their responsibility. Attention then focused on the cemetery fence along Dovecote Lane which the Parish Council owned and required replacing. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher, seconded by Councillor D Chapman and unanimously **RESOLVED** that three quotes be obtained for replacing the fence on Dovecote Lane and enquiries be made to the District Council regarding possibility of CIL funding towards the cost.

CF53. DISABLED ROUNDABOUT - SOVEREIGN

The Clerk updated the meeting on efforts to have the disabled roundabout reinstated by Sovereign. Members were advised that the latest update from the company stated that the roundabout was still with the metal specialists. Given the length of time that has passed and the ongoing problems, Members requested the Clerk to seek advice from NALC and disability associations regarding the legal aspects of getting the issues rectified. This was proposed by Councillor G Needham and seconded by Councillor R Butcher.

CF54. ALLOTMENT TENANCY RENEWALS

Consideration was given to a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book), updating Members on the allotment tenancy renewals. It was reported that

8 and half plots had been returned and Members discussed the wait list and the priority for vacant plots. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor A Knight, seconded by Councillor M Oliver and unanimously **RESOLVED** that plots be offered first to Yaxley residents who do not currently have an allotment plot, then to residents who have half a plot but would like a full plot and finally to applicants who do not hold an allotment tenancy and are residents in a nearby parish which either does not provide allotments or there are no allotment vacancies.

CF55. MIDDLEGROUND REPAIR CAFE

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book), Members were updated with details of the relaunch of the Repair Café scheduled for 6th March 2022.

CF56. COMMUNITY FRIDGE UPDATE

Members noted that the Community Fridge has distributed over 21.5 tonnes of food since April, regularly handing out over 60 food parcels twice a week. The number of volunteers helping had increased with an additional team of 6 looking to assist Food for Nought with the food collection every Wednesday.

CF57. YAXLEY LITTER PICKERS WEEKEND 26/27TH FEBRUARY 2022

Whilst noting that the next litter pick would be taking place this weekend, a number of Councillors agreed to take part and were then kitted up with litter pickers and bags.

CF58. VE DAY AFTERNOON TEA ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk updated the meeting with arrangements for the Pensioners Afternoon Tea being held in the Austin Hall on Friday 6th May 2022.

CF59. SKATE PARK EXTENSION

Members were pleased to note that the skate ramps extension and refurbishment have been completed. The Clerk advised that the equipment was being well used, attracting quite a crowd each evening. Given their popularity and the fact that they have been in-situ for several weeks, Members felt it wasn't necessary to hold an opening event.

CF60. INTERPRETATION BOARD POUND LANE

The Clerk reported that the interpretation board for Pound Lane would be installed on Friday 25th February 2022.

Meeting closed at 7.46pm

J. husted

Signed
Chairman.