

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee  
held in the Council Chamber, the Amenity Centre, Main Street, Yaxley on  
4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7.00pm.**

Present:- Councillor D Chapman – Vice Chairman in the Chair

Councillors R Butcher, B Edwards, K Gulson, A Minns and M Oliver.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor.

**CF30. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors J Lusted and S McMullon.

**CF31. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillors R Butcher and K Gulson declared “other” interests in Item No.CF34 by virtue of being allotment holders.

Councillor M Oliver declared a pecuniary interest in Item No.CF37 as a Director of Fenland Stoneworks and of Peterborough and District Funeral Services.

**CF32. MINUTES**

Councillor R Butcher proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022. This was seconded by Councillor K Gulson and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

**CF33. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

**CF34. ALLOTMENT INSPECTION UPDATE**

Members were advised that following a recent allotment inspection, two requiring improvement letters had been sent out and one termination. Several allotments had greatly improved since the last inspection and they too had received a letter acknowledging this along with a number of plots that had been specially recognised for how well their allotment was being kept. There are currently eleven residents on the waiting list.

**CF35. PARISH SPORTS SESSIONS FEEDBACK**

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book), Members noted the uptake on the Parish Sports Sessions for primary aged children, commissioned by the Council, which ran every Wednesday morning over the summer holidays. In noting that the sessions had been a success, Councillor R Butcher proposed that further sessions be arranged with the Lifestyles Team at the District Council for May half term and the 2023 Summer Holidays. This was seconded by Councillor K Gulson and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

**CF36. ACTION PLAN**

Members received and noted a schedule of the Committee’s projects included within the Council’s Action Plan, the schedule would be used as a basis for the budget setting in November. With regard to the skate park extension the Clerk reported that the area was

well used but the lighting in the area could be improved. Rather than running cables off the existing light a possible solution could be the installation of solar panel lighting. Having been advised that there were sufficient funds in the earmarked reserves to install lighting in the area, Councillor D Chapman proposed that the Clerk investigate this further and report back to a future meeting on costings with a view to having the work done this financial year. This was seconded by Councillor A Minns and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

Attention also was drawn to the Repair Café and Members were pleased to note that the Peterborough Repair Café had accepted the offer to include Yaxley as a location for repair workshop. The first session would be 5<sup>th</sup> November, 11am to 3pm in the Owen Pooley Hall. The use of the facilities would be given free of charge.

**CF37. CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Councillor R Butcher proposed amendment to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations to reflect the turfing of the graves by the Parish Council after a period of 9 months following interment and reaffirming that the work must not be arranged by the grave owner. This was seconded by Councillor D Chapman and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

At the same time, mention was made of the forthcoming cemetery memorial inspections and Councillors D Chapman, B Edwards and K Gulson put their names forward to help Councillor P Russell undertake the inspections in late October, early November.

**CF38. COMMUNITY FRIDGE UPDATE**

Councillor K Gulson reported that the Community Fridge remains busy. The level of surplus food being collected from local suppliers had decreased slightly. However, local allotment holders continue to be extremely generous.

**CF39. COMMUNITY LITTER PICK**

The next group pick would be Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 meeting at the Pavilion at 9.30am.

**CF40. ACCESSIBLE ROUNDABOUT UPDATE**

Members were pleased to note that the issues with the roundabout had been finally resolved with Sovereign and the roundabout was now moving freely. Sovereign have agreed to undertake a maintenance check in 6 months at no cost to the Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 7.37pm

Signed ..... 

Chairman.