

MINUTES of the LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING of

FAKENHAM TOWN COUNCIL

held at Fakenham Connect, Oak Street, Fakenham

on TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2020 at 5:30pm

PRESENT:

Councillor M Coates (Chairman, Presiding)

Town Cllrs: P Hannon, J Griffiths, J Rockett, P Bucknell, M Dutton, J Holdom, G Footse, A Glynn

Deputy Town Clerk: A Kerrison

Public: None

Press: A McMillan (EDP)

	AGENDA	Action (initials)
118	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Andrews and the Clerk	
119	ELECTORS QUESTIONS A member of the public had asked if there was a policy for when Christmas wreaths were removed from graves at Creake Road cemetery and whether any notices were up to inform people. After discussion it was agreed that wreaths should be removed by 14 th February and that a notice to that effect would be put in both cemeteries from the middle of November.	Clerk
120	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none.	
121	MINUTES On the proposition of Cllr Griffiths, seconded by Cllr Hannon, the minutes of the meeting held on 28 th January 2020 were AGREED and signed by the Chairman.	
122	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES Minute 107 – Goggs Mill Road – The Clerk will meet with Hempton Parish Clerk when she returns from holiday. Minute 107 – Creake Road cemetery – replacement/repair windows and doors. One quote is awaited; the Clerk is trying to get two more. Minute 107 – Whitelands – new play equipment – A deposit has been paid and the equipment ordered. It is hoped this will be erected before Easter. When the date is finalised the Clerk will arrange an official opening ceremony. Minute 110 – Aldiss Park – repair to boardwalk – We have been informed by FACT that they do not have the manpower to repair the boardwalk. It is a similar situation with the Racecourse. It was agreed that the groundsmen should be asked to tape the area off so that it cannot be used until a repair can be organised. Cllr Glynn will speak to the Hawk and Owl trust to see if they might be able to help.	Clerk Clerk Clerk Deputy Clerk/ AG
123	COUNCIL'S ESTATE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The trees on Whitelands and Millennium Park have been dealt with.• The fence between the play area and the main park on Millennium Park is being forced apart and there is now a hole. The groundsman is to be asked to put some wire across the hole.	Deputy Clerk

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The goal posts are no longer being moved on Millennium park as they are in concrete sleeves. Instead they are having soil and turf put around the feet. A dog walker was challenged on Millennium Park and made aware that dogs are not allowed on there. The wall on Whitelands, adjacent to the bungalow on the way in to the play area, is damaged. It was agreed to ask the Groundsman to remove the loose bricks from the top to make it safe. Ownership needs to be established and the wall repaired. The hole in the hedge at Trap Lane has been filled in. There are dog walkers using the bottom of the field near the Rugby club. 	Deputy Clerk/ Clerk
124	<p>TO DISCUSS THE REQUEST FOR A DOG WASTE BIN AT FAYRE GREEN</p> <p>On the proposition of Cllr Foortse, seconded by Cllr Griffiths and agreed by all that a new bin should be installed. Cllr Glynn will write an article about where dogs can be walked and the reasons why there are restrictions in some areas.</p>	Clerk AG
125	<p>TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT NOTICEBOARDS FOR THE ALLOTMENT SITES</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that "off the peg" noticeboards are too expensive. The Clerk is to try and find a local carpenter who might be able to make the boards.</p>	Clerk
126	<p>TO APPROVE A TREE SURGEON CHECKING THE TREES IN ST PETERS GARDEN FOR ANY DAMAGED BRANCHES FOLLOWING THE RECENT STORMS</p> <p>Greenman Woodland had been asked to look at the trees whilst he was here working on trees on the Estate last weekend. We are waiting for his report. Quotes will then be needed to go ahead and get any required work done.</p>	Clerk
127	<p>TO DISCUSS CLEARING THE ROUNDABOUTS AT CLIPBUSH LANE</p> <p>It was decided to find out if the clearing of the roundabouts could be included in the funding for cutting the grass verges from NCC. The Clerk is to ask the contractor who quoted for the work for a breakdown of their costs into 1. The traffic management/safety costs and 2. The cost of clearing the vegetation from the roundabout. Highways are to be asked to fund the traffic management.</p>	Clerk
128	<p>TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THE TOWN NOTICEBOARD ON BOOTS WALL</p> <p>The options were to repair the existing board, erect a board in a different location or repair the existing board and erect a new board in a different location. On the proposition of Cllr Foortse, seconded by Cllr Coates and agreed by all that a new surface should be installed on the existing board. This is to be the surface identified by the Clerk at a cost of £272.33.</p>	Clerk
129	<p>TO DISCUSS THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN</p> <p>It was noted that a litter pick has been suggested for the Town on Friday 8th May. This is the bank holiday for the VE day celebrations. Cllr Foortse will contact the organisers and suggest Friday 15th May instead. Volunteers are welcome.</p>	GF
130	<p>SPORTING FACILITIES</p> <p>The Cricket club is looking to hold matches at Trap Lane during the coming season.</p> <p>Cllr Glynn informed the meeting of discussions taking place to install a foot/cycle path from the Hawk and Owl Trust to the Town Centre. To do this they will need to work with Fakenham Town Council and Sculthorpe Parish Council.</p>	
131	TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING;	

