

MINUTES of Haxby Town Council Amenities Committee Meeting held on Monday 22 October 2018 in the Memorial Hall, Haxby at 7.30 pm.

<u>PRESENT</u>	Cllr D Rice (Chairman)	Cllr R Cousans
	Cllr t Richardson	Cllr S Newton
	Cllr C Mulholland	Cllr N Wyatt
	Cllr M Preston	Mr M W Scott (Clerk)

One member of the public was also present.

APOLOGIES

1. Cllr M Crawford.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. None.

MINUTES

3. **RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 September 2018 be signed as a true and accurate record.**

AMENITIES FINANCES

4. The Clerk provided the Committee with graphs showing the original budget for the year set against forecasted year-end figures. The graphs showed that spending on projects was well in excess of the budget amount but that this was due to the Council agreeing to allow the Amenities Committee the ability to use Section 106 monies in order to upgrade the play equipment. The Clerk added that although £30000 (net) had been spent on new play equipment, the amount available after inclusion of Section 106 money was in fact £34060.

NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT – ETHEL WARD

5. The Chairman and Clerk reported that all new play equipment had been installed and appeared to be being well used.

ASHWOOD GLADE

6. The Clerk explained that he had met with a contractor in order to discuss the cutting back of bushes and trees on Ashwood Glade and that the work would be done during November once the trees had dropped their leaves.

PAVILION CHANGING ROOMS & TOILETS

7. Cllr Preston advised that the contractor whose quote of £645 had been accepted at last month's meeting was not now answering his emails/calls. As a result of this Cllr Preston asked the Committee to accept a different quote for the work costing £750.
RESOLVED to approve a further £105 and thereby accept the quote of £750 previously received by the Committee.

WYRE POND WILLOW TREES

8. The Clerk advised that he was still awaiting a tree safety report concerning the willow trees at Wyre Pond and would update the Committee at their next meeting.

ALLOTMENTS

9. The Clerk advised that signs to indicate row numbers on the allotment site were now in place.

Prior to the next item being discussed the Chairman suspended the meeting to allow the member of the public a chance to speak about the condition of the tarmacked area of village green in front of the Red Lion public house and how the wagon delivering beer blocks the highway when it visits on Wednesday mornings. The meeting then continued.

VILLAGE GREEN OUTSIDE RED LION

10. **RESOLVED to allow the tenant of the Red Lion public house permission to improve the surface of the tarmacked area in front of the Red Lion and to put cones and a chain across the area from Tuesday night until Wednesday lunch time in order to allow the delivery of beer without blocking the road. In addition it was agreed to contact City of York Council about the poor condition of the pavement between the Red Lion public house and the tarmacked area of village green in order to request repairs.**

LITTLE PICKLES

11. A request from the owner of Little Pickles nursery was read out in which she requested permission to install a dishwasher in the kitchen at the pavilion and to also be allowed to prepare hot meals for the children attending the nursery.
RESOLVED to allow the owner of Little Pickles permission to install a dishwasher and to also allow her to use the kitchen to prepare hot meals for the children. A method statement is to be provided.

PAVILION – METAL GATE

12. The Clerk advised that the metal gate at the entrance to the football changing rooms had been repaired under Health and Safety due to it being in danger of falling off. The Clerk and Cllr Preston both said that the job done to repair the gate was excellent.

2019/2020 BUDGET

13. The Committee was asked by the Chairman for possible areas of spending for next year. No ideas were forthcoming other than possibly looking in to extending a path from the York Road entrance of Ethel Ward Playing Field so as to reach the recently installed roundabout.

OLD LIBRARY BICYCLE SHELTER

14. **RESOLVED that the old library bicycle shelter would be sited on Ethel Ward Playing Field and that the Clerk, Cllr Richardson and Cllr Preston would meet to discuss the exact location on Thursday 25 October at 8.30am at the Ethel Ward Car Park.**

CHRISTMAS TREE

15. Following a request from a resident it was agreed that Clerk should look into having an outside plug socket installed adjacent to the Christmas Tree on the village green.

PARKING ISSUES

16. A letter from the owner of York Pilates Matwork was **RECEIVED** by the Committee.

ALLOTMENT WATER BUTT

17. A request from an allotment tenant to purchase the green water butt on the allotment site was read to the Committee.
RESOLVED to agree to sell the green water butt to the allotment tenant for a fee of £25.

MANCROFT DOG WALKING AREA

18. An email from a resident requesting that only dogs which are controlled and socialised should be allowed on the dog walking area at Mancroft and that a sign should be installed to make residents aware of this. It was agreed that the Clerk should look in to appropriate signage.

ALL STAR FOOTBALL ACADEMY

19. A request was put forward by Cllr Preston which he had received from the All Star Football Academy requesting that they be allowed to use the facilities at Ethel Ward in order to put on football coaching sessions during the school holidays. The Committee was in favour of this and asked for the Clerk to make contact in order to establish further details.

MATTERS FOR INCLUSION

20. Councillors were asked to submit any requests which they felt needed to be addressed by the Committee, in writing to the Clerk for inclusion on the next agenda, 7 days prior to the date of the next meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

21. The next meeting of the Amenities Committee is to take place on Monday 26 November 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

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 Chairman

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