

MINUTES of Haxby Town Council Amenities Committee Meeting held on Monday 25 March 2019 in the Memorial Hall, Haxby at 7.30pm.

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

One member of the public was also present.

#### APOLOGIES

1. Cllr C Mulholland

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. None

#### MINUTES

3. **RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 February 2019 be signed as a true and accurate record.**

Before the next item the Chairman suspended the meeting to enable the member of the public who was present to talk about a request he wished to put forward for consideration by the Committee. He explained that he wished to erect a plaque on the village green adjacent to the glorious copper beech tree situated there. The plaque would detail the history behind the tree giving details of when it was planted and by whom. He explained that he was looking for the Town Council's approval and guidance as to where the best place for the plaque would be. After members of the Committee had asked questions of the gentleman's plans, the Chairman then lifted the suspension and the meeting continued.

#### COPPER BEECH TREE

4. The Committee discussed the plans for a plaque to detail the history of the copper beech tree and were in favour of the idea. It agreed that the Clerk should arrange a meeting in the vicinity of the tree to assess the best place for the sign to be situated.

#### AMENITIES FINANCES

5. The Clerk provided the Committee with figures showing the original budget for the year set against forecasted year-end figures.

### OLD LIBRARY BICYCLE SHELTER

6. The Clerk advised that a representative from City of York Council had said that he would take back the old library bicycle shelter in order for it to be installed on the site of the new library. The Committee agreed to the bicycle shelter being returned to City of York Council.

### ETHEL WARD PAVILION CHANGING ROOMS

7. Cllr Preston raised concerns concerning the cleaning of the football changing rooms. He stated that the junior football teams were using the changing rooms and not cleaning up after themselves. He requested that the Council could possibly step in with certain action to address the situation. The Committee were of the opinion that this was a matter to be sorted by the junior and senior football teams via the Ethel Ward Playing Field Committee.

### VILLAGE GREEN OUTSIDE SAINSBURY'S

8. The Clerk advised that the parking area outside Sainsbury's was due to be resurfaced shortly.

### ALLOTMENT WATER CONTAINERS

9. The Clerk read out an email from a member of the public who was enquiring about the possible purchase of one of the water containers currently located on the allotment site. The container being one of two bought at a time that the water supply had been cut off due to a leak. The water supply had now been restored.  
**RESOLVED that the Committee agreed to sell the container at a price of £75 providing there were no objections from allotment tenants.**

### VILLAGE GREEN TREES

10. Cllr Guilford made a request that the trees removed from the village green last year due to disease should be replaced.  
**RESOLVED that the Clerk should make enquiries to find suitable replacements. The Committee were of the opinion that the replacement trees should have colourful blossom.**

### ASHWOOD GLADE CONIFERS

11. The Clerk read out a request from a member of the public which made a request to have 2 conifer trees on Ashwood Glade cut down.  
**RESOLVED that the Committee was happy for this to be done but the Clerk should contact the member of the public to ask if he wanted them to be removed completely or for them to be reduced in height.**

AMENITIES COMMITTEE "WISH LIST"

12. The Clerk reminded the Committee of its "wish list" so far.

MATTERS FOR INCLUSION

13. Councillors were asked to submit any requests 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

14. The next meeting of the Amenities Committee is to take place on Monday 29 April 2019 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

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Chairman

**(These Minutes are displayed 'unsigned' and are subject to correction at the next Council meeting.)**