



**Minutes of the Amenities and Estates Committee held on Thursday 11
September 2014 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room, the Parish Hall,
Newdigate Street, Kimberley**

Present: Councillor: J McDonald (Chair)

Councillors C Brown
S Cooper (Vice Chair)
J Dickman
D Nunn
T Hallard
I Wilson
K Tennant
J Dymond

The chairman welcomed and introduced Councillor Jim Dymond to the Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Andy Cooper and Kirsty John

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MEETING WITH POLICE REPRESENTITIVES

Pc Toon was unable attend. Councillor Tennant updated council on recent incidents in Kimberley.

Garden benches have been stolen from two properties. Council were briefed on the Stag Recreation Vandalism. The flooring of the park had been set alight and large patch of the floor covering destroyed. Pc Lara Holbrook is investigating the crime. Councillor McDonald expressed his concern to the council and public present. It was suggested that the council and the community working together can deter this behaviour to deter repeat vandalism.



4. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2014 were considered.

RESOLVED that: the minutes of the Amenities & Estates Committee held on 10 July 2014 are accepted as a true record.

5. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

6. KIMBERLEY BOWLS CLUB

Councillor McDonald asked the council to consider approving the grant application received from Kimberly Bowls Club. The club are in need of more storage space. The Bowls Club got a quote for a purpose built extension, the cost of this being £6370. The club reviewed other possibilities and decided that a flat pack container at a cost of £2142 including VAT would be a more economical option for their club. The club are willing to contribute 10% towards the cost.

RESOLVED that: The grant application will be considered after further information has been sought for planning permission and other building possibilities Update on findings will be delivered at the full council meeting 25 September 2014.

7. EVENTS

Councillor Tennant gave thanks for the help received from fellow councillors at the Pensioners lunch. The Pensioners Lunch held on Wednesday 10th September 2014 hosted 55 pensioners. Councillor Tennant notified council of further events being held and the progress of planning. Dates of up and coming events are, Halloween family party to be held on Saturday 25th October 2014, Remembrance Sunday centenary Service 9 November 2014 and Friday 28 November 2014 Christmas light switch on.

8 WAR MEMORIAL

Councillor Brown updated council that we are still awaiting the engineers report. Council will be updated when the report is received.



9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Council were notified that a neighbourhood plan would be put together. Broxtowe Borough Council is holding a workshop to support Local Councils. Councillors Brown, Dymond, Cooper and the Town Clerk will be attending. Council and the public will be updated accordingly with information from the workshop.

RESOLVED that; Kimberley Town Council adopt a neighbourhood plan and that members of the community be encouraged to join the group.

10. CEMETRY CHAPEL

Councillor McDonald informed council that Mark Hanson from Faithful and Gould had now returned to work and was hoping to put some costings together for the chapel project.

Councillor McDonald expressed his disappointment that the County Council had not written to KTC advising that the money for the cemetery chapel project was no longer available. Councillor McDonald advised that the Chairman would be discussing this matter with the leader of Nottinghamshire County Council. During a review of material on the chapel by Councillor Dymond he had found documents indicating that previous councils had considered internal redevelopment of the chapel. Councillor McDonald advised the council that he was organising a steering group committee meeting to discuss an internal programme of work for the chapel, he advised that members of the public would be invited to join.



11 YOUTH FOR CHRIST PROJECT

Councillor McDonald with the help of Mike Harrison had produced a detailed paper on the Youth for Christ project, on the basis of this he asked council to consider supporting the project for a further 12 months at a cost of approx. £3000. The council supported the aims of the project and success to date but requested the opportunity to meet new members of staff before coming to a decision. Councillors Brown, Tennant and Cooper would arrange to meet staff and report back to full council with a proposal. Councillor Brown advised council of a very helpful meeting she had with the Rev Barbara Holbrook regarding this project and the opportunities to use the old school house to provide a drop-in Centre for young people.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Fellow councillors would meet with Youth for Christ staff.**
- 2. PC Paul Toon and Lara Holbrook would be asked their views on sharing the house as a drop in centre for young people.**

12. CLERKS REPORT

The clerk updated the council on the progress of Football club plumbing repairs.

The clerk discussed a potential 10 week hire of the committee room and asked if the Council would consider a reduced rate as it was for the NHS.

The alley that runs along the Stag ground was discussed a member of the public requested a dog bin placed there.

RESOLVED that;

- 1. The council decided not to offer a reduced rate for the potential hirer as the rates are already competitive.**
- 2. There are black bins available to put dog bags in and that the alley discussed actually belongs to Nuthall.**



13. COMPUTER SECURITY

Councillor Brown discussed Council's current computer systems and the need for further back up facilities and anti-virus. The Council website was reviewed and Council felt that it could be improved. Councillor Brown and the Clerk will obtain information and prices of a new website. Council will be updated on their findings at the next meeting.

Councillor Tennant expressed her disappointment of the Kimberley Town Council Facebook page being hijacked by an ex councillor. Councillor Tennant informed Council that she had set up a new Facebook page as 'Kimberley Town Council New'.

14. KIMBERLEY ROAD SURFACES/WORKS REQUIRED

Councillor Wilson spoke of the poor road surfaces along Hardy Street and Nottingham Road in-between No30 and N0128. Councillor McDonald had tried contacting Councillor Ken Rigby to highlight the matter but has not made contact with him yet.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

No. 554 – Nottingham Youth for Christ

No 555 - Notts County Council-Bridleway No 46-Modification order 2014

16. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Cheques were presented for signing. Councillor Nunn and Councillor Cooper signed the cheques. Council were given July's report of all payment paid through the bank. The Clerk/RFO advised that August's payments were not available to view due to the hard bank statements arriving at the end of the next month therefore there is a delay in reconciling the bank accounts. The Clerk/RFO assured council that September's meeting will discuss finance in further detail.



17. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning application for 2 Stirling Grove, Kimberley to construct a first floor side extension and detached double garage.

RESOLVED that; No objections were received opposing the construction.

18. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Following is a summary of the questions raised by the public:

Consider having the Chapel gates closed at the evening to deter anyone vandalising the Chapel.

Trevor Rood offered help to protect Flixton Park should the council need it against vandalism after what happened to the Stag Park.

The current position of the Cemetery Chapel Project was queried. Will the development still go ahead? The £15000 earmarked – will this be used?

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Full Council Meeting -25 September 2014 – 7.30pm
Amenities and Estates Committee – 9 October 2014 7.30pm