

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 28th July 2015.**

Present:- Councillor G Bellamy – Chairman;
Councillors R Butcher, S Butler, S Howe, S Howell, J Lusted, D Porteous, A Rees and J Willis.

In attendance – H Taylor and J Rutherford for item CF19.

CF15. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors M Oliver (work) and S White (personal) and Reg Bingham (personal).

CF16. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors G Bellamy, K Gulson and D Porteous declared disclosable pecuniary interests in item CF22 by virtue of being a Council allotment holder and refrained from voting on this matter. Councillor Porteous left the meeting during the duration of item CF22.

CF17. MINUTES

Councillor A Rees proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 23rd June 2015. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF18. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

CF19. LOCAL HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT GRANTS – PROPOSALS FOR BROADWAY

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members were updated on progress to install an uncontrolled crossing point on Broadway near the British Legion using funding from the Local Highways Improvement Initiative. Having been reminded of the background to the scheme Members were advised that the road widths in this area restricted what could be provided and that the County Council were now proposing to install a pinchpoint with crossing point. Mr Rutherford, Lead Technician with Cambridgeshire County Council, explained that this would slow traffic speeds and formalise the area for people to cross. Mr Rutherford went on to report that the pinchpoint could at a later date be upgraded to a zebra crossing and that he would be prepared to look at installing another pinchpoint further along Broadway.

In response to questions, Mr Rutherford confirmed that the Parish Council would need to meet 10% of any schemes cost and that he would consult with his colleagues over what provision for a crossing has been built into the proposed housing development at the Old Snowcap Mushroom site on Broadway. He also agreed to investigate when the final section of tarmac at the cemetery disabled parking bays will be laid and whether the dropped curb at the entrance to the Amenity car park could be extended given the car parks use by parents dropping off at the Infants School.

Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor A Rees that the installation of 2 pinchpoint crossing points on Broadway as part of the Local Highways Improvement Grant Scheme be supported. This was seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

CF20. DEFIBRILLATOR.

Further to Minute No. CF14, Members discussed possible locations for 2 defibrillators. In so doing, mention was made of a potential fund raising event, the scope to run a first aid community training programme and ideas to extend the scheme to 4 defibrillators. Councillor S Howell reported upon a conversation with Mr N Cole of the British Heart Foundation (BHF) when it was suggested that the defibs could be fully funded by the BHF as part of a Government backed scheme. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that the Clerk contact the BHF regarding their community defib scheme and an application be made for 2 machines to be sited at the BP garage on Broadway and Produce World. This was seconded by Councillor J Willis and **RESOLVED.**

CF21. FUTURE OF SKATE FACILITIES AT THE RECREATION GROUND

Attention was drawn to a letter from Huntingdonshire District Council regarding the future of the skate facilities in the recreation ground. Members were advised that the District Council is reviewing its' contractual and management responsibilities for the inspection, cleansing and maintenance of the facilities with a view to handing these responsibilities over to the Parish Council from 2016/17. Given the need to identify the financial costs of taking on these new responsibilities, Councillor R Butcher proposed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee along with Councillor Lusted and the Clerk meet with the District Council's Greens Spaces team to discuss the matter further. This was seconded by Councillor S Howell and unanimously **RESOLVED.**

CF22. ALLOTMENTS – INSPECTION UPDATE

Further to Minute No. CF8, the Clerk updated Members on the outcome of a second inspection of the allotments. She circulated a paper listing 7 allotments that had either failed to improve their allotment or had recently received a letter asking them to make improvements. Attention was drawn to two allotments that had been served notice to improve in June but still remained uncultivated. Having referred to the terms and conditions of the tenancy agreements, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that the tenancies for No. 12 and No. 33 Yards End be relinquished and the action taken with regard to the other 5 allotments noted. This was seconded by Councillor S Butler and **RESOLVED.**

CF23. TREES

With the aid of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book), Members were advised of 4 areas of trees requiring attention in Mere View, Seaton Close, Blenheim Way and the recreation ground. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that quotes be obtained for the work for consideration at the September meeting. This was seconded by Councillor S Butler and **RESOLVED.**

At the same time, Members agreed to look into improving the area of open space to the back of Seaton Close and mention was made on the need to remove the acer tree in the Cemetery and plant an acer flamingo on the village green in memory of Roy Dudley.

CF24. CRICKET CLUB UPDATE

Members received and noted a report by the Clerk (a copy of a which is appended in the Minute Book) regarding the future of Yaxley Cricket Club. It was explained that a meeting had been held with the club on 1st July 2015 to discuss various issues including training, use of the ground/pavilion, match cancellations, pitch fees. Following the meeting an email had been received stating that the Cricket Club was merging with Orton Park and would be moving out of Yaxley.

CF25. REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES – CRICKET/FOOTBALL PITCHES AND MULTI ACTIVITY AREA

By way a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members reviewed the fees and charges for the Cemetery. Having been advised of the rates charged by neighbouring authorities, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that with effect from 1st September 2015 the fees and charges for the Cemetery be as follows:

interment of a stillborn child not exceeding 1 month	£75.00
interment of a child more than 1 month but less than 12 years	£160.00
interment of a body exceeding 12 years	£225.00
interment of cremated remains (ashes)	£120.00

exclusive right of burial	
stillborn	£0.00
child younger than 12 years	£0.00
single earthen grave	£275.00
double earthen grave	£275.00
grave space for cremated remains 2ft by 2ft	

Erection of Monuments	
erection a single headstone	£80.00
erection of double memorial with two headstones	£150.00
double headstone between two side by side graves	£150.00
additional inscription	£50.00
memorial slab for cremated remains	£60.00

sanctum II vault including memorial tablet	
first interment	£750.00
second interment	£205.00
vase block and memorial tablet	£300.00
other fees and charges	
ashes search	£25.00
search of new cemetery	£25.00
old cemetery	£25.00
transfer of burial rights	£25.00

This was seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED.**

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed

Chairman.

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