

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Property Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 20th September 2016.**

Present:- Councillor R Butcher - Chairman
Councillors A Bartle, C Bolton, K Gulson, M Oliver, A Rees, P Russell, C Thorne, S White and J Willis.

In attendance – H Taylor and Councillors S Butler and A Wood.

PR14. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors J Lusted and J Reed (both personal).

PR15. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor P Russell declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item CF23 by virtue of being a co-owner of St B's hall and left the room during the discussions and voting thereon.

PR16. MINUTES

Councillor K Gulson proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 21st June 2016. This was seconded by Councillor J Willis and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

PR17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

PR18. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

Members' attention was drawn to a schedule of maintenance work carried out on the Council's facilities since their previous meeting and that planned for the next 3 months. Particular mention was made of the work to improve the appearance of the Austin Hall and main corridor of the Owen Pooley which had been the subject of a deep clean and repaint. In response to which, Members placed on record their appreciation of the efforts of the Ground team and Clerk in undertaking the work.

PR19. PROPOSED EXTENSION TO EXISTING OFFICE

Members were updated with progress of the plans to extend the existing office. The Clerk explained that the plans had been submitted to the District Council and a letter had been sent to the Middle Level Commissioners explaining the surface and soil water management.

PR20. MOBILE MIDDLETONS RECREATION GROUND – REMOVAL UPDATE

The Clerk reported that work to disconnect the water supply would be undertaken the next day with a view to removing the mobile in the next few weeks.

PR21. EXCLUSION THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor P Russell and seconded by Councillor A Rees that the meeting should be closed to the press and public at 7.15pm.

PR22. SOLAR PANELS

By way of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Annex to the Minute Book), Members were advised of the background to three quotations received for the installation of solar panels to the Workshop roof. It was explained that the Committee were only considering whether to go along the route of solar panels as provision would need to be made in the appropriate year's budget. Having been made aware of the possible savings and income that could be made, it was proposed by M Oliver that Councillors K Gulson, P Russell and S White be appointed to a Working Group to review the quotations received, the savings predicted and the actual costings and to report back to the Committee to enable a decision on solar panels to be made. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

PR23. ST B's HALL

Having been advised of the potential to purchase this property, it was proposed by Councillor A Bartle that a full prospectus be requested from the vendor and presented to the next Property Committee in order to give it full consideration. This was seconded by Councillor K Gulson and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

PR24. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business being concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor A Rees and seconded by Councillor K Gulson that the press and public should be readmitted to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm

Signed

Chairman.