

Amenities and Open Spaces Committee

Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday 22nd November 2017 at the Town Hall Market Deeping. Cllr Broughton, (Chairman) presided over Cllr Brookes, Cllr Miss Collins and Cllr Hanson. The Park Keeper, the Deputy Park keeper and the Clerk were also present.

36. Chairman's Welcome

Cllr Broughton welcomed the members to the meeting

37. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs Redshaw, Cllr Shelton and Cllr Mrs Sked

38. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

There were no declarations of interest

39. Minutes of a meeting held on the 20th September 2017

Cllr Broughton asked the committee if they were to accept the minutes of the meeting dated Wednesday 20th September 2017. It was proposed by Cllr Miss Collins, seconded by Cllr Hanson and **RESOLVED** unanimously that the minutes could be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were signed accordingly.

40. Clerks Report on Matters Arising

The Clerk had issued the members with a report prior to the meeting:

- The Clerk had written to the resident regarding the siting of trees on the open spaces of Tattershall Drive, but had not received a reply
 - The Clerk had informed the resident that they could have access to the Glebe Field for their workmen to chip up their trees. This work had now been carried out
 - Cllr Broughton had been to look at the gate on the play area
 - Cllr Broughton had been in contact with SKDC regarding new litter bins
 - The Clerk had arranged for an electrician to see about getting the light on the play area relit
- Members were asked if they had any questions. There were no questions for the Clerk

41. Correspondence to be noted and resolved upon

Correspondence – Amenities & Open Spaces – November 2017				
No.	Received from	Date Received	Subject	Committee Response
1	Market Deeping Community Primary School	8/11/17	Request to place a banner on the John Eve Field from 22/11/17 to 9/12/17 This would be the third banner on the railings for this period	It was agreed that the banner could go up from 27/11/17 once the Council's banner was removed so that there would be no more than 3 banners at any one time
2	William Hildyard School	16/11/17	Request to use the John Eve Field for a Deepings Primary School cross country challenge	It was proposed by Cllr Miss Collins, seconded by Cllr Brookes and RESOLVED unanimously to let the school use the field

42. Update of the Works Planner & Presentation by the Park Keepers

The Park keepers informed the members that they had hopefully done the last grass cut of the year. The fair had left the ground in good order and they were now working from the winter works planner. They had planted 12 of the 52 trees donated by Oakwood on the open spaces along Tattershall Drive and planned to plant the rest along the edge of John Eve Field, to make a small orchard. Volunteers had helped to lay the hedge along Godsey Lane, with the donated trees from the Woodland Trust. Councillors requested that letters of thanks were sent to Oakwood and the volunteers.

Number	Location	Activity	Priority 1. H & S 2. Assist Productivity (Staff) 3. Part of project work (Where Consultation / Engagement has taken place)	Time-scales
Regular Checks	Various	BMX – remove rocks and stones, rake track, remove moss from burns, Riverside Park – check for holes and treat areas as required All areas – daily checks of all areas Litter Picks – daily checks and weekly litter pick to include all dog bins Vehicle and Machinery – weekly checks to ensure equipment remains in order. Vehicle to be cleaned inside and out each week. Defibrillator- weekly checks Speed sign – regular charging and movement around the town Flags – as required on Town Hall and Riverside Park	1&2	
1	Riverside Park	Side up conifers	1&2	
2	Riverside Park	Repaint benches	1&2	
3	Welland Gardens	Repaint bench	1&2	
4	Welland Gardens	Re-top pathway	1&2	

5	Welland Gardens	Cut back snowberry bushes and general clearing out of old branches	1&2	
6	Rainbow	Repair bench	1&2	
7	Market Place	Repainting street furniture	1&2	
8	Market Place	Cleaning bus shelters	1&2	
9	Rectory Paddock	Cut back branches, pruning and general tidying	1&2	
10	Rectory Paddock	Replant hedge with new hedging	1&2	
11	Rectory Paddock	Paint benches	1&2	
12	Glebe Field	Winter pruning of trees around the edge of the field	1&2	
13	Glebe Field	Topping of the BMX track	1&2	
14	John Eve Field	Repaint playground benches	1&2	
15	John Eve Field	Repairs shown up in RoSPA report	1&2	
16	John Eve Field	Joining of old Oak Grove path to new one	1&2	

43. Omega reports: Review of performance to date, budget/expenditure/income

The Clerk had provided the members prior to the meeting with the income and expenditure reports and went through them. It was agreed that since LCC had not sent a bill for the Godsey Lane hedge project, this amount would be placed in earmarked reserves at the end of the year in case the Town Council was billed in the future.

44. Precept planning for 2018/2019: For members to discuss any additional items required, to include electricity box for the John Eve Field and to agree the budgets

Members had received the precept budgets prior to the meeting which the Clerk went through. The reasons for the purchase of a tractor were discussed and it was proposed by Cllr Miss Collins, seconded by Cllr Hanson and **RESOLVED** unanimously to precept £5,000 for a replacement tractor. The requirements for a roof rack for the van were discussed and it was proposed by Cllr Broughton, seconded by Cllr Hanson and **RESOLVED** unanimously to precept £330 for a roof. It was proposed by Cllr Broughton, seconded by Cllr Hanson and **RESOLVED** unanimously to set the AOS precept at £98,810

45. For members to receive information on Allstar Service Point and to decide the next steps

Members had received information on the Allstar Service Point which would allow a reduction in the cost of services for the van. It was proposed by Cllr Broughton, seconded by Cllr Hanson and **RESOLVED** unanimously to sign up to the Service Point

46. Update on the bins on Church Street

Cllr Broughton informed the members that he had emailed SKDC to ask for some bins but had not received a reply. He informed the members that he was going to Grantham and would enquire about some bins. Cllr Hanson asked if the members were aware that out of the community assessment walk it had been seen that there were no bins at the bus stops by Wellington Way and there was much litter. He asked if it would be possible to locate some bins there.

47. Update on the provision of reinstating the lighting on the John Eve Field and the children’s play area

Members were informed that an electrician was going to look at the lighting and all being well the light should be working within a week. Cllr Brookes asked if the light could be set with a timer and was informed that it could

48. For members to discuss the access routes onto the John Eve Field for the Carnival (1/7/17)

The Deepings Lions had asked if the gate opposite the school could be used to get the Carnival floats onto the field. This would stop there being difficulties near to the roundabout. After a discussion it was agreed that as long as the floats were supervised across the field and that the weather had not been too wet, this entrance could be used. It was agreed to allow the access and discuss the practicalities with the Lions nearer to the date

49. For members to discuss the state of the towpaths beside the river and to decide the next steps

Since Cllr Mrs Redshaw was not in attendance, it was agreed to put this onto the next agenda.

50. For members to receive the proposal for the John Eve Field footway and cycleway project and to decide the next steps (Cllr Brookes)

Cllr Brookes went through the proposal that he had presented to the members. Members discussed the proposal, but did not believe that it was viable. Cllr Brookes proposed to make a provision of £5,000 in the precept to look into improving the footpath on the field, there was no seconder so no vote was taken.

There being no other business the Chairman thanked all for attending and the meeting which was closed at 7.35pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 24th January at 7pm in the Town Hall, Market Deeping.

Chairman’s signature.....

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