

IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON
TUESDAY 25TH JANUARY 2022 AT 7.50PM (FOLLOWING PLANNING) AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
FETTLLEDINE ROAD NN9 5XF

PRESENT: Councillors C Cross, E Hopkinson, R Powell, T Walton and P Boyer (Ex Officio)

ABSENT: Councillor J Bragg

ASLO PRESENT: J Comont – co-opted member

AGENDA

39. APOLOGIES – TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCES RECEIVED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING

No apologies received

40. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST AND OTHER INTERESTS AND THE NATURE OF THOSE INTERESTS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

No declarations were made.

41. MINUTES – TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FOR SIGNATURE THE MINUTES OF THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23RD NOVEMBER 2021.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/55 - that the minutes of the Property and Services Committee meeting of Tuesday 23rd November 2021 be approved and signed as a correct record of proceedings

42. MATTERS ARISING – TO NOTE ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23RD NOVEMBER 2021 (UNLESS COVERED BELOW)

Page 7 - RESOLVE P&S/07(20)/15 – that nearby residents of the Drayton Road Shrub bed be surveyed for their views on the current condition of the shrub bed and their suggestions for any changes they feel would enhance the shrub bed. – Councillor C Cross updated members, she had put together a survey to ask Drayton Road residents their views on the section of the shrub bed that needs addressing.

The survey was read out and amendments suggested. Councillor C Cross to send the amended survey out to committee members by email for approval before it is delivered. Residents' views will be requested by the 28th February 2022.

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Page 8- **RESOLVE P&S/09(21)/18** – that the Council purchases 100 dinner sets in a robust plain white style, 100 complete sets of cutlery along with sufficient serving spoons and teaspoons within a budget of £750. - An update was requested.

The Assistant Clerk advised that the old crockery had been donated to a charity shop in Irthlingborough. A date still needed to be sorted to go and purchase the replacements.

Page 8 -**RESOLVE P&S/09(21)/26** – that the Property and Services Committee as a whole carry out a site visit to the Crow Hill Recreation Ground. The time and date of the visit to be coordinated by Councillor E Hopkinson. – Councillor E Hopkinson indicated the visit had not yet taken place he apologised and said he would arrange it in February.

Page 8 - **RESOLVE P&S/01(20)/111** – that the quotation to carry out repairs to the wooden Cemetery Hut located in the Church Street Cemetery up to a value of £1000 + VAT be accepted. The repairs to include the removal of growth from the building, replacement of the outer skin boards, doors and floor repaired/maintained and the whole building repainted. – It was requested this item be added to the next Property and Services Agenda scheduled for 22nd March 2022

Page 11 - **RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/48** – that the North Northants Tree Officer is asked to visit the site to assess the best course of action in regard to the ornamental Cherry Tree in the Scarborough Street/ College Street paved area.

RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/49 – that a sign is put up advising that the area is temporarily closed in the interest of safety.

RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/50 – that the Council writes to the property owners whose rear wall adjoins the public paved seating area Scarborough Street/College Street asking if they would carry out repairs to the wall to make it safe.

RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/51 – that this item is brought back to the next Property and Services meeting 25th January 2022 for further discussion.

Councillor C Cross asked for an update on these resolves

The Clerk advised they were ongoing.

Page 11- Item 38. TO CONSIDER DRAFT UNDER **RESOLVE P&S/09(21)/27** – THAT A CROW HILL RESIDENT SURVEY IS DRAFTED FOR APPROVAL.

Members went through the draft document.

They proposed amendments to the introduction and the removal of some of the listed options.

It was proposed that some sort of shade would need to be provided.

RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/54 – that the Assistant Clerk amends the draft document and brings it back to the next Property and Services meeting on the 25th January 2022 for approval and further discussion.

The Clerk stated that the shade would be provided by trees.

43. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS UP TO 11TH JANUARY.

Page 3 - **RESOLVE P&S/06(21)/06** - that the quotation to replace the gates at the top of Manton Road with like for like and to drill and pin the hinges to prevent them being lifted off at a cost of £530.00 net be accepted – an update was requested

The Assistant Clerk advised that a reminder had been issued in December.

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Page 3 - **RESOLVE P&S/06(21)/08** - that the quotation to supply one slab and 7 red clay tiles and to repair Lynch Gate roof and re bed new and loose slabs on the path at a cost of £220.00 net be accepted – an update was requested.

This item to be added to the next Property and Services Agenda scheduled for 22nd March 2022.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/56 - that the actions taken against the Property and Services Committee resolution list up to the 11th January 2022 are received and noted.

44.TO CONSIDER QUOTES TO REPLACE THE COMMUNITY CENTRE BOILER.

Councillor T Walton proposed the committee deferred the decision until the option of an air sourced heat pump had been investigated.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/57 - that the annual boiler service report and its findings are received and noted.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/58 - that the option of an air sourced heat pump is investigated along with funding opportunities.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/59 – all options to be considered at an additional 1 item agenda meeting prior to the next Property and Services meeting scheduled 22nd March 2022.

45.TO CONSIDER **RESOLVE P&S/11(21)/41** – APPENDIX 1 PAGES 315-318 OF THE NORTH NORTHANTS LITTER AND FLY TIPPING STRATEGY

Councillor R Powell stated the document gave a clear indication of the strategy and noted under section 12 there was support for Community litter picks.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/60 - that North Northamptonshire Council's Street Cleansing Policy and appendix 1 Bin Installation Scoring system is received and noted.

Councillor E Hopkinson was disappointed to see there was no campaign to discourage litter.

Members raised concerns that the hedgerows along highways were cut but not litter picked.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/61 – that Unitary Councillor R Powell raises the Councils concerns: -
i) that North Northants Council cut the hedgerows along highways they don't appear to litter pick them.
ii) that the document does not contain a campaign to discourage litter.

Members noted section 5 Dog Bins - the policy indicated that North Northants Council do not provide new dog waste bins and any existing dog waste bins will not be replaced when the bin is past its useful life.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/62 – that the provision of replacement of dog waste bins in the future is to be brought to the Property and Services meeting June/July 2022 and funded from devolved services if required.

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46. TO CONSIDER DRAFT UNDER **RESOLVE P&S/09(21)/27** – THAT A CROW HILL RESIDENT SURVEY IS DRAFTED FOR APPROVAL AND AGREE TO SEND SAME SURVEY TO LES ODELL PARK RESIDENTS TO ASSESS PLAY AREA NEEDS FOR BOTH PARKS.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/63 – that the amended resident survey is agreed.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/64 – that the Assistant Clerk would contact members when the surveys were ready for delivery and agree date/s for members to assist with the delivery.

47. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON COMMUNITY PAYBACK WORKS (INFORMATION ONLY)

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/65 – that a letter of thanks is sent to the Community Payback Team.

48. TO CONSIDER PLANTING A STRIP OF WILD FLOWERS AT THE RECREATION GROUND.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/66 – that the cost of one day contractor labour and a one day rotavator hire is agreed.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/67 – that the project will be advertised on the website.

RESOLVE P&S/01(22)/68 – that the strip of land is to be seeded by volunteers.

49. TO CONSIDER THE PUBLIC FOOTPATHS AND HAVE A PLAN REGARDING ENSURING PUBLIC ACCESS IS POSSIBLE TO THEM. – CLLR WALTON

John Comont is one of the three footpath wardens nominated last year for Irthlingborough. His wife and Councillor J Bragg are the others.

He updated members with the current procedure for works on public footpaths received via an online training course. A definitive map showing all the local footpaths had been requested but to date had not been received.

North Northants Council's Jackie Williams was looking at footpaths and access.

Councillor T Walton raised concerns about one footpath in particular that runs from Waterloo Way to Lakeside, where moss was an issue.

Date of next meeting: 22nd March 2022

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.54pm.

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