MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7th JANUARY 2025 at 7:00PM

Present	Chairman	A Willis			
	Councillors	R McKinney	S Mallett	R Baker	A Kelly
		N Eveleigh	H Crawford	Z Lane	S Giullari
		C Pattison	N Oglesbee	L Panrucker	B Baricz
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(Recorded by Town Clerk)

2257A To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr C Pattison, seconded by Cllr N Oglesbee and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllrs P Fellows and B Johnson.

2258A To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

Cllr C Pattison	Non-pecuniary	Agenda item 10
Cllr N Eveleigh	Non-pecuniary	Agenda item 10

2259A To consider requests for Dispensation.

Cllr C Pattison	Agenda Item 10	To Speak not vote
Cllr N Eveleigh	Agenda Item 10	To Speak not vote

2260A To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within this Parish, have any intention to speak under any Agenda Items of this meeting (this will be to a maximum of 3 minutes)

None present.

2261A To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 12th November 2024 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr Z Lane. There were 3 abstentions recorded.

RESOLVED: To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 12th November 2024 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them.

2262A To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

There were none.

2263A To answer questions from Councillors.

There were none.

2264A To receive a report on the Councils amenity assets

The chair gave a report advising that there was not much to report on the allotments due to the time of year but invoices are being issued this week and then empty plots will be worked through.

The trees on the north side of the cemetery were pollarded in December, with the south being in the plans for the end of the year.

Cllr L Panrucker advised that he had met with Gary Whitwell to discuss the goal position at Dyke.

Cllr S Mallett asked where we were with regards to the Skatepark RoSPA. The Clerk advised that we have been allocated an Inspector and we are just awaiting contact from them with a date.

Cllr A Kelly entered the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee seconded by Cllr S Mallett and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To receive the above report.

2265A To provide Councillors with their new email addresses and instructions

The Clerk provided all Councillors with their new email addresses and instructions. It was agreed to start using them properly from next week to allow everyone time to log in and set them up.

2266A To discuss increase of Allotment Fees for January 2026.

The clerk advised that the allotment charge is currently 19p per square metre but water and other items are going up.

Cllr C Pattison was allowed to speak. He advised that as an allotment holder he believed we are too cheap, water is included in the charge and that we should be increasing our charge.

Proposed by Cllr S Mallett, seconded by Cllr R McKinney. There were 2 abstentions recorded.

RESOLVED: To agree to charge 25p per square metre from January 2026.

2267A To receive information with regard to UK.SPF funding for Christmas Light improvements

Cllr H Crawford confirmed that we have had £24,000 approved for the above. The Clerk to get quotations for repairs and some replacement lights.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr S Mallett and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above information and for the Clerk to get quotations.

2268A To receive Amenities Financial Statement.

Councillors were provided with the Amenities Financial Statement.

It was brought up about not all tenants having a Tenancy Agreement. Once Councillors have agreed the current agreement with a couple of amendments, it was agreed to send out to all tenants this year but for the document to be rewritten before the end of the year.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To receive the above statement

2269A To discuss any such business, which the Chairman may legally bring to the Committee

There was none.

Due to there being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 19.54hrs.