

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 23rd JULY 2024 at 7:00PM**

Present **Chairman** **A Willis**
 Councillors P Fellows H Crawford B Johnson R McKinney
 N Eveleigh L Panrucker C Pattison N Oglesbee
 B Baricz Z Lane S Giullari A Kelly
 Hughes
 R Baker

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

2210A To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr N Oglesbee and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllr S Mallett

2211A To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

There were none

2212A To consider requests for Dispensation.

There were none

2213A 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)

There were three members of the public present and one wished to speak on agenda item 11.

2214A To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 18th June 2024 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford seconded by Cllr C Pattison and unanimously

RESOLVED: To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 18th June 2024 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them.

2215A To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

Cllr Z Lane – reported that a planning application was being made at Twenty to demolish the old Grain store and build new dwellings. The clerk informed the members that this application would Be debated at the next Town Council Planning Meeting.

Cllr H Crawford - had engaged in a meeting with LCC following their Bus Survey consultation And had complained about the severe lack of connectivity between the North and South of the County. Following the meeting Cllr Crawford was of the opinion that there would be very little chance of getting a new service to mitigate this.

2216A To answer questions from Councillors.

There were none.

2217A To receive a report on the Councils Amenity Assets

The clerk gave the following report:

- 1) Cemetery

All tidy grass cutting being completed subject to weather conditions.

- 2) 'Changing Places'

The clerk confirmed that the facility was now complete in all respects.

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To receive the above report.

2218A To agree an opening date for the 'Changing Places' facility.

The clerk informed members that he had been liaising with South Kesteven District Council and a date of the 6th August 2.00pm had been agreed that would allow for the Mayor and SKDC cabinet members to be in attendance.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr B Baricz Hughes

RESOLVED: To agree the date and receive the above information

The clerk recorded one abstention

2219A To receive an update on from the Cemetery Chapel working party.

The clerk confirmed that the working party had met and were awaiting the final report from the contracted company.

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr N Eveleigh

RESOLVED: To receive the above update.

2220A To receive feedback from the recent open meeting held with regard to land adjacent to Bourne woods.

It was reported that the meeting was well attended and by the general public and that several Councillors were also in attendance.

Cllr Crawford informed the members that she had tried to guide the meeting on the steps they should take to run a successful campaign.

Cllr Crawford continued that at this point in time the decision to refuse the Aldi application as no appeal had been made by the applicant.

The member of the public who wished to speak on this item thanked the members for their support on the issue.

Proposed by Cllr B Baricz Hughes, seconded by Cllr N Oglesbee

RESOLVED: To receive the above information.

2221A To agree a date for the next meeting of the events committee.

It was agreed by all that the committee would meet on Monday 5th

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr H Crawford

RESOLVED: To receive the above information

2222A To receive a report on the amenities spend against budget for the period to 30th June

2024

The clerk had provided a statement on the amenities spend and took the members through the Various categories.

Proposed by Cllr R Baker, seconded by Cllr C Pattison

RESOLVED: To receive the above report

2223A To receive a report following a meeting with SKDC regarding the Churchyard

Cllr Crawford and the clerk had met with the SKDC Charge Hand responsible for the Churchyard at the Abbey Church. In general the meeting was to achieve a better standard of maintenance which has been promised going forward.

Cllr Crawford pointed out that one of the main concerns was the area at the back of the Abbey Church that was totally overgrown. The Charge Hand agreed but commented that this would Be completed as Winter work.

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr R McKinney

RESOLVED: To receive the above report

2224A To receive information regarding the town centre 'Hanging Baskets'

The clerk informed the members that he had received a communication from SKDC with regard to various hanging baskets that were installed on listed buildings and that this was against the law. The clerk continued that as far as he was concerned the baskets were causing no offence as advised by English Heritage.

The clerk confirmed that he would continue to monitor the situation.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr N Eveleigh

RESOLVED: To receive the above information

2225A To discuss any information which the Chairman may legally bring to the Council's attention

Due to their being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 19.51hrs.