MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2024 at 7:00PM

Present Chairman A Willis

Councillors P Fellows B Johnson R Baker A Kelly

N Eveleigh L Panrucker Z Lane N Oglesbee

S Giullari

(Recorded by Deputy Town Clerk)

2226A To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr S Giullari, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllrs H Crawford, R McKinney, S Mallet and C Pattison

2227A To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

There were none

2228A To consider requests for Dispensation.

There were none

2229A 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 no members of the public present.

2230A To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 23rd July 2024 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them.

Proposed by Cllr S Giullari, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 23rd July 2024 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them.

2231A To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

Cllr Z Lane – reported that the frontage of the new Turkish Grill has been reported to Planning Enforcement but they will not go out yet as the establishment is not yet open. However, they have acknowledged that it is not what they applied for.

The fencing on Meadow Gate which was burnt down now has Harris fencing up.

The Planning Application for the Twenty Grainstore is going to Committee on Thursday 3rd October.

Cllr B Johnson reported that the Charles Worth celebration at Wake House is progressing, although nothing cast in stone yet.

Cllr A Kelly stated that she was disappointed with the Bourne Corn Exchange signage that has gone up and also that the postcode has not been changed yet. The Town Clerk reported that we have been advised that there is more to be installed.

Cllr P Fellows entered the meeting at 19:11 hours.

Cllr L Panrucker advised that there had been another car accident at the Dyke junction and requested another meeting to discuss options. Cllr S Woolley has already spoken to LCC. Local residents want a speed reduction or improved lighting for the junction.

Cllr N Oglesbee reported that the Dyke Village Hall Bingo night was successful. The Scarecrow Festival will be on 6th October 2024.

Cllr R Baker advised that residents have requested speed cameras on Raymond Mays Way.

2232A To answer questions from Councillors.

There were none.

2233A To receive a report on the Councils Amenity Assets including the Recreation Ground and Chapel

The clerk gave the following report:

Grass cutting continues until mid November.

Chapel roof repair is booked for a couple of weeks time.

Bund at the skatepark has been cut

Gates at Abbey Lawns are open until 9pm but this changes to 6pm from the end of September.

Dyke Playing field – goal posts are to go up plus we are looking at additional benches. Micro orchard and rewilding are looking to be in the corner of the field.

Remedial work has been carried out on the main pitch at the Rec.

Cllr A Kelly asked if the UKSPF is being used for the Ash Memorial Field. The answer to this was no but one of the benches is being sponsored by a local family.

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

RESOLVED: To receive the above report.

2234A To receive information on Remembrance Sunday 2024.

The clerk advised that the road closure has been submitted and Community Response will be in attendance. There will also be the service on Monday 11th November at the Memorial Gardens

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

RESOLVED: To receive the above information

2235A To receive a proposal for the updating of the Towns Christmas lights.

The clerk advised that he is looking at ex display motifs to add in to our existing ones and will bring photos and costs to the next Amenities meeting. He is getting the circuits tested which he has reserved £7500 for but will bring this to Council. There will also be a stress test done for the across road lights. We will not be able to use the Town Hall this year.

Cllr S Guillari advised that he knows of a free tree available.

Cllr P Fellows advised that there is no work being done on the Town Hall this side of Christmas. The Clerk will check with the Town Hall.

Proposed by Cllr N Eveleigh, seconded by Cllr B Johnson

RESOLVED: To receive the above proposal.

2236A To receive feedback from the events committee with regard to the Christmas Light switch on 2024.

Cllr N Oglesbee confirmed that the date of the event is 7th December 2024 and that the Events Committee are looking for Stewards on the day, for allocated times. Cllr N Eveleigh commented that it needs to be done in a less haphazard way than previously.

Proposed by Cllr R Baker, seconded by Cllr N Eveleigh and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above feedback

2237A To receive an update on works at the Twenty Village Playing Field.

The Town Clerk had agreed to restart cutting the grass. It was carried out last week and will be done again next week with the area being cut enlarged. Goalposts are going to be installed and the cements posts will be removed.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr Z Lane and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above update

2238A To receive a report on the amenities spend against budget for the period to 31st August 2024

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

Cllr N Eveleigh had visited the town toilets on South Street and asked when the flooring was going to be sorted. The Clerk advised that the Male and Female toilets are not yet completed.

Proposed by Cllr L Panrucker, seconded by Cllr N Eveleigh and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above report

2239A To receive information regarding the 'In Bloom' competition

The Clerk advised that the East Midlands in Bloom presentation is on 28th September which the Deputy Town Clerk and Council Support Officer will be attending.

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr N Oglesbee and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above information

2240A To receive information with regard to the allotment competition

The clerk advised that the allotments have been judged by Cllr H Crawford, Cllr C Pattison, the Deputy Town Clerk and Council Support Officer. A presentation will be organised in the future.

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr R Baker and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above information

2241A To discuss any such business, which the Chairman may legally bring to the Committee

The Clerk reported that the Devolution proposal is going forward.

Sci Fest kicks off tomorrow (25/09). All Councillors are invited to an event on 07/10, 17:15 start (guests welcome) and can then stay for the Sci Fest show at 19:15.

Cllr P Fellows spoke of the passing of Adrian Smith and that we should have a minutes thanks and send our condolences and appreciation to the family.

Cllr R Baker reminded members of the SKDC information evening on 14th October, 18:45 for a 19:00 start.

Cllr N Eveleigh commented about the Abbey Road roadworks and how the traffic lights/signage was in the wrong place as it was causing the junction to be blocked. The Clerk will speak to Highways.

Due to there being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 19.46hrs.