

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Facilities Committee
held in the Council Chamber, Yaxley Parish Council on 24th May 2016.**

Present:- Councillors G Bellamy, R Butcher, S Butler, P Crooke, K Gulson J Lusted, M Oliver, D Porteous, A Rees, J Willis and A Wood.

In attendance – H Taylor and 3 members of the public.

CF1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor A Rees seconded by Councillor D Porteous, it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor G Bellamy be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Councillor G Bellamy in the Chair.

CF2. APOLOGIES

No apologies for absence from the meeting were received.

CF3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors G Bellamy and K Gulson declared disclosable pecuniary interests in item CF8 by virtue of being a Council allotment holder and refrained from voting on this matter.

CF4. MINUTES

Councillor K Gulson proposed approval of the Minutes of the Committee held on 22nd March 2016. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF5. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor R Butcher, seconded by Councillor A Rees, it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor J Lusted be elected Vice Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

CF6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr J Jakins, an allotment holder, addressed the meeting regarding his concerns over the increase in allotment rent and his perception that the Council had made profits from Yards End allotments for many years. In response to which, Members reiterated that Mr Jakins concerns had been addressed in writing by the Clerk on a number of occasions.

In discussing some of the comments made during Mr Jakins address, Members felt that the matter should be reviewed by the Personnel Committee. This was proposed by Councillor R Butcher, seconded by Councillor S Butler and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF7. DEFIBRILLATOR

Gemma Saunders founder of the Defibrillators for Yaxley group reported on the events being organised to raise funds to purchase a third defibrillator for Yaxley. Ideas included a Zumba marathon which she would liaise with the Clerk over the possible use of the Councils facilities.

At the same time the Clerk reported that two locations had been agreed for the defibrillators received from the British Heart Foundation these were outside the new fire station on Main Street and Yaxley Group Practice on Lansdowne Road. Gemma

explained that she would be willing to help support the machines by way of fund raising for replacement pads and batteries.

Members noted that the defibrillators would be officially launched by the Fenland Trust at the Queens 90th Celebrations on 11th June to which the Chairman, Councillor S Butler and the Clerk had been invited.

CF8. ALLOTMENTS – ANNUAL INSPECTION ARRANGEMENTS

It was proposed by Councillor Butcher that himself, Councillors S Butler and J Lusted be called upon to aid the Booking Clerk with allotment inspections. This was seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED**.

CF9. ANNUAL PLAY AREA SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

Consideration was given to the content of a report produced by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) summarising 2 items identified as Medium/Low risk as part of the annual play inspection report. Having been advised of the action undertaken by the Clerk and Grounds team in response to the inspection it was proposed by Councillor J Lusted that the report be accepted and its contents noted. This was seconded by Councillor R Butcher and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF10. EXCLUSION THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor R Butcher and seconded by Councillor J Lusted that the meeting should be closed to the press and public at 8.52pm.

CF11. EXTERNAL TREE SURVEY

Councillor Gulson reported on a presentation by Peartechnology on a proposed digital software package. Those who had attended the presentation reported on the various aspects of the package which it was felt would benefit the Council. Members then gave consideration to two quotations received for undertaking the external tree survey. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor R Butcher that the quotation from P R Newson be accepted. This was seconded by Councillor J Lusted and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

CF12. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business being concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor R Butcher and seconded by Councillor J Lusted that the press and public should be readmitted to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.02pm

Signed

Chairman.