

A meeting of the Amenities & Services Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 18th March 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs R Lobley (Chairman), N Hornsey, Mrs S Watson, M Powell, R Fletcher, A Lowen and Mrs C Grimble

Clerk: Mrs J Murray

Please be advised that these are notes of the meeting taken by the Clerk and cannot in any way be regarded as the official minutes of Council proceedings until they are approved and signed at the next meeting.

A public participation session took place prior to the official start of the meeting.

24/03/26 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

24/03/27 Apologies

On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Greenway having considered his reason for absence. Cllr Pikett was absent with no apology given.

24/03/28 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Lowen declared an interest in agenda item 8 as his property is on the boundary.
Cllr Fletcher declared an interest in agenda item 11b as an interested party.

24/03/29 Minutes

On a proposal from Cllr Mrs Watson, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote that the notes of the meeting held on 29th January 2024 be approved and signed as the minutes.

24/03/30 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported: -

In Bloom Competition: no volunteers came forward – decision not to enter taken

Fencing on path from Eagle Drive to Manor Park – Beal Homes has erected fencing on both sides of Poacher's Rest, but there have been some complaints that it is not wide enough to allow a mobility scooter through, so they are going to look at it again and make some minor adjustments.

LCC Grass Cutting Contribution – this has been confirmed as £2,752.16 for 2024.

24/03/31 Finance Matters

- a. Members received a financial report to 29.2.2023.
- b. It had previously been agreed that the Council will contribute to the Scout Hut electricity supply for the exterior lighting installed by the PC (23/7/36) and on a proposal from Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to contribute £50.00 per year with a review being carried out after 2 years.
- c. The Council agreed the purchase of snow clearing equipment, but there is nowhere to store it, therefore it was decided to purchase of a lockable box with a combination lock and on a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to set a budget of £200.00.

24/03/32 Trees/Planting/Grass cutting

- a. Cllr Powell reported the following:
 - 148028 – 21 Eastfield Lane** – to fell a Cherry tree with a TPO, Cllr Powell had been unable to gain access to look at the tree.
- b. **Tree Safety Survey** – Three quotes have been sought and on a proposal from Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept the quote from Tree Generation.
- c. **Summer Floral Displays** - Three quotes have been sought and on a proposal from Cllr Mrs Watson, seconded by Cllr Lowen, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to accept the quote from Scothern Nurseries.
- d. **Pinfold** – Three quotes have been sought for tidying up the area and on a proposal from Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (5 for, 1 against) to accept the quote from Green Rock.

24/03/33 Village Maintenance

Three quotes have been sought for the 2024/25 contract and on a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, it was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (5 for, 1 abstention) to accept the quote from Glendale Countryside Ltd subject to resolving the issue regarding the height to which the Southern boundary fence at Manor Park has been cut.

24/03/34 Footpaths

Cllr Mrs Watson reported that they are all in an acceptable condition, although somewhat muddy in places. There is a considerable increase in dog waste on the footpaths and in general around the village. The Clerk advised that recently more “Dog Poo Fairy” posters have been put up.

24/03/35 Lagoon Area

The Clerk reported that she has received a response from Bishop Burton College and has been informed that the Lecturer who had undertaken the project has left the college and she has given them the information regarding the work his team had carried out and the original report from the Wildlife Trust and is waiting to hear if they are able to help again.

24/03/36 Highway Matters

- a. **LCC Section 19 Flood Investigations** – information regarding this has been received and circulated.
- b. **20mph speed limit** - County Cllr Mrs S Rawlins has been in touch and confirmed that she has passed this request on to the appropriate department and will keep us updated.
- c. **Traffic Regulation Order for parking restrictions on Manor Lane** - County Cllr Mrs S Rawlins has confirmed that this has been passed to the appropriate department and will keep us updated. Information regarding a Parish Poll has been circulated; it is a costly exercise.
- d. **Mill Lane** – Potholes have been reported to LCC. Regarding designating it as a Quiet Lane; it will be raised at the Annual Parish Meeting.

24/03/37 Councillors Reports

Cllr Mrs Watson reported that the investigation re the bore hole on Heath Lane failed to find any water to flow into the beck and all the equipment has now been removed.

Chairman: **Date:**