

HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2023

Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held at Hayle Community Centre, on Thursday 9 February 2023 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

CouncillorsS. Benney, E. Brown, B. Gordon, J. Martin and D. RaymerNon-voting CouncillorsJ. Lawrenson- Reid

Facilities and Contracts ManagerP. DrewSenior Administrative OfficerM. Costello

7.30PM MEETING COMMENCED

AM58 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Capper, Dinham, Johnson and Rance.

AM59 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

AM60 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 10 NOVEMBER 2022

An error in the list of Councillors present was highlighted and amended.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of 10 November 2022 and be taken as a true and accurate record, as amended, with the Chair to sign each page before placing them in the record book.

AM61 RECREATION GROUND

a) To note that the tenant has left the Kiosk as of 31 December 2022

It was NOTED that the tenant left the Kiosk as of 31 December 2022.

b) To consider the Facilities and Contracts Manager's report regarding the condition of the Kiosk and agree the next actions

A report had been circulated by the Facilities and Contracts Manager and images of the interior of the building were displayed on the projector.

He asked Members to consider how the council wanted to proceed as the building needs a deep clean, a new floor and potentially other renovation works as necessary. For example, the front fascia boards are rotten, there is no insulation and the electrical system may need to be upgraded. He explained that these renovations could take as long as up to the Easter or Summer periods and asked Members to decide when they would like to offer a new lease on the Kiosk.

He also told Members that the office had already received considerable interest in the tenancy.

Members discussed the current condition of the building and agreed that it could not be left empty, and that it could not be let in this condition. They considered who would undertake the works and whether this could be done by the Maintenance Team.

It was agreed that any renovations must ensure that the building is safe and fit for purpose, but the hygiene requirements would be the tenant's responsibility.

The Facilities and Contracts Manager explained that initial works could be done in house but ideally, he would like to get some quotes in, and clarified that he would need to obtain three to bring forward to council.

It was resolved to refurbish the Kiosk as soon as possible, using the in-house team where appropriate and to obtain quotes for work if required, the costs to come from the Maintenance Budget.

c) To consider the Deed of Dedication, Land at Lethlean Lane, specifically clause 2.4

Members considered the information and plans which were displayed on the projector, they discussed clause 2.4 which infers that Hayle Town Council (HTC) would be responsible for the upkeep of the subsoil under the side of the new crossing nearest the Recreation Ground.

They agreed the clause would not be an issue either way.

It was resolved to leave clause 2.4 as it is.

AM62 ALLOTMENTS

a) To consider and agree actions following the recent pest control report at the allotment site

The Facilities and Contracts Manager told members that the offender has now removed the waste which had caused the problem and the issue seems to have resolved itself.

The recent pest control report and actions were NOTED.

AM63 COMMUNITY CENTRE

a) To consider options for removal of asbestos in the boiler room

The Facilities and Contracts Manager explained that the latest report had highlighted the presence of asbestos in the boiler room and also in an old chimney breast at the Community Centre. He told members that he had approached Scientific Services who undertook the recent work in the roof void, they had supplied two quotes which the Clerk had approved and the work would begin on 13 March.

The options for removal of asbestos in the boiler room were NOTED.

AM64 LIBRARY

a) To consider the request to allow Hayle Christmas Lights to use power from the Library for the seasonal lights

The Facilities and Contracts Manager explained that he had been approached by the group after they had received a large standing charge for using the electricity at Hayle Day Care Centre. The group would like permission to use the electricity from the Library to run the seasonal lights from the car park to the Centre.

Members agreed that this was acceptable if the group could provide some certification that their equipment was tested and passed as safe.

It was resolved to allow Hayle Christmas Lights to use power from the Library for the seasonal lights.

AM65 AMENITY SITES

a) To consider the recent communication regarding graffiti around the town

Correspondence by email was displayed on the projector which described the amount of graffiti around the town and asked for it to be cleaned up.

The The Facilities and Contracts Manager told members that the main area of concern was at the Foundry Toilets. He explained that he had contacted Cornwall Council (CC) who claim that the offending wall at the back of the toilets, is not their responsibility as HTC own the toilets, but he told members that he has checked the legislation regarding party wall's and concluded that CC are responsible.

Members agreed that HTC is only responsible for sites it owns and that this is a massive issue in the town. The council's representatives agreed to raise this at the forthcoming Police Liaison Meeting on 28 February.

It was resolved to NOTE the recent communication regarding graffiti around the town.

b) To discuss the former Hawkins Motors site and agree next actions

The Facilities and Contracts Manager asked members to consider the next steps following receipt of the quote to survey the soil at the site which could be contaminated. He also said that he would need to contact the Environment Agency to discuss water run-off.

It was resolved to accept the quote and go ahead with the surveys as this will enable the council to determine how to proceed.

AM66 TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the next meeting will take place on Thursday 9 March 2023

The meeting closed at 8.03pm.