



# Redenhall with Harleston Town Council

Clerk: Mrs. L. Ling

## Minutes

### of the meeting of the Harleston Environment Committee held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 at 6.30pm in the Council Offices at the Memorial Leisure Centre, Harleston

**Present:** Councillors; Adrian Brownsea, Frances Bickley, Ian Broughton, Richard Joselyn and Mark Betts

Also present: Tracey Betts (Office Administrator)

1. **Welcome**– Cllr. Brownsea welcomed those present at the meeting
2. **To receive and accept apologies from members unable to attend** - None
3. **To receive any declarations of pecuniary or any other interests in particular matters to be raised at this meeting** – None
4. **To approve the minutes of a meeting of the Environment Committee held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018** - Agreement proposed by Cllr. Bickley and seconded by Cllr. Broughton

**ALL AGREED**

Councillor Brownsea also commented on how well the Minutes had been written and that you could follow the entire meeting

5. **Matters arising** – Cllr Brownsea asked if anyone had seen if the bollard lights up to the car park had been working as he had been unable to get up there. Cllr Brownsea had also noticed that the house on Briar Walk with the light problem is now up for sale. The traffic survey report from County Hall was now in the hands of the Council and not particularly in the hands of this committee. Regarding town events, don't have any objection for Harleston Future to close road down to Bullock Fair Close and agree for the trial to go ahead. The Committee still has responsibility and to ask HF what they expect and how are the NCC monitoring it. To go through this with HF when they have their meeting 16<sup>th</sup> April and want it in writing if going with trial. In respect of Public Liability to clarify our insurance and check what our insurance covers and what cover we have if accident happens in our area that we are liable for. Do HF have public liability including their stewards marshalling the car park. HF to do a risk assessment and want to see this and liability. What instructions are being given to marshals and to bear in mind that the Antiques fair goes on until 7.00 pm, so will need marshals most of the day
6. **Chairman's report** – Cllr Brownsea reported that the contractors for Straight Lane had not kept to their three week limit and that Straight Lane was still closed on Sunday. It was the responsibility of the people having the work done to make sure the signage was correct. It had also been noticed that there were some signs still about the town that had not been collected, one sign down beside the Golden Wok complete with sandbags. It was also mentioned about the sign on the A143 as you come up to the roundabout saying Business as usual. Cllr Brownsea asked about the prices for the War Memorial, as prices were to be obtained for the memorial benches and silhouettes. Tracey

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Betts informed the Cllr's that she had been researching this but it was hard to get prices from the websites without signing up to the firms directly. A letter to Mr Whipps had been sent re security of the churchyard. Nothing to report regarding the Homersfield picnic site. Cllr Brownsea asked whether anyone else had seen the newspaper that morning where Chief Health Officer reported that LED lights can be dangerous

- 7. **To receive an update on the recent flooding at the cemetery and agree any action** Cllr Broughton has been in touch with a gentleman who does drainage work but has not heard anything back. It was discussed and all relevant agencies and authorities will be contacted for their guidance. It was also discussed and decided that burials are precautionary suspended for next 4 -6 weeks, whilst investigations take place. Out of courtesy the Clerk will liaise with the funeral homes in the interim period.
- 8. **To discuss information received regarding the old toilet block, and discuss the way forward for the project and agree any action** – Cllr Bickley read out the quote for the additional timed locks, this was thought to be a reasonable quote. Cllr Joselyn said that we have two options, option one – get two quotes or option two – get SNDC to do it and get it done. This was discussed and recommended that SNDC go ahead but to our spec including timed locks, to manage and refurb. Proposed by Cllr Joselyn and seconded by Cllr Broughton

**ALL AGREED**

- 9. **To discuss the car park lease** Cllr Bickley gave the committee an update as to the lease for the car park was with the solicitors.
- 10. **To discuss the War Memorial refurbishment** – Cllr Bickley had spoken to Jody Lidgard, who along with his mate were soldiers and were interested in in looking into the refurbishment of the War Memorial and are drawing up plans. Jody is willing to give some of his labour for free and wishes to maintain this for three years free. Cllr Brownsea suggested we ask Jody Lidgard to put a proposal forward and suggest that they are put on the expert list.  
Tracey Betts said that after looking at some of the messages on the web sites the cost was £765.00 + £125.00 delivery for one seat to Northern Ireland and the Tommy (6ft aluminium) £750.00 but would look into this further.
- 11. **To discuss an email from South Norfolk Council regarding discount for dog bins** – Cllr Bickley read out the email about certain dog bins needed to be emptied less than other bins lowering the price for the dog bins. Cllr Brownsea suggested that we seek advice from SNDC as to how frequent bins need emptying and which bins are emptied less frequently.
- 12. **Councillors reports** – Cllrs Broughton, Joselyn and Brownsea nothing to report. Cllr Bickley mentioned recent comments on twitter about the pavement near Denny's where UK powerworks have been working. The pavement has been re-laid but still uneven and wobbly stones. It was suggested that NCC are notified as it is a public footpath and the water comes down the hill and washes away any sand etc under the stones.
- 13. **To be informed of significant correspondence and agree any action** – None

**The meeting will be adjourned for public participation**

- 14. **To confirm the date and time of next meeting** – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 6.30pm at the Council Office, Harleston Leisure Centre

Meeting ended at 8.18pm

Signed .....

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