

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN SPACES MEETING OF ECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD
VIRTUALLY ON THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2023**

PRESENT Councillor Wheelhouse (Chairman)

Councillors: Archer, Boyce, Clegg, Dye, Kenyon and Renwick

Others – E Smith (Clerk)

No members of the public

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355/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ridgway

356/23 VARIATION IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

No variations

357/23 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

No interests declared

358/23 PUBLIC SPEAKING

No members of the public present

359/23 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

No confidential items in the agenda

360/23 MINUTES OF THE OPEN SPACES MEETING

RESOLVED received and approved as a true record Minutes 339/22 – 354/22 of the Open Spaces Meeting held on 13 October 2022.

361/23 CEMETERY REPORT

RESOLVED noted report

RECOMMEND to approve the bench requested.

RESOLVED Clerk to request two further quotes for tarmacking the section next to the hedge within the Cemetery.

RESOLVED Members to visit the Cemetery to look at options for Cemetery fencing.

362/23 NEW TREE SCHEME WITHIN THE CEMETERY

DCC officer has prepared a design to present to the working party but will require a map of the water pipes to finalise. There is also a tree fund launched by the Government and the officer stated they would help with a grant application.

RESOLVED deferred to the next meeting. Cemetery manager to provide the Officer with a map of the water pipes within the Cemetery.

363/23 CHAPEL OF EASE PROJECT

RECOMMEND Clerk to send a letter stating the current plans for the Chapel of Ease to possible stakeholders. Hold an open day to show potential users and stakeholders the Chapel of Ease.

364/23 CEMETERY GATES INSTALLATION

Clerk reported that the Cemetery gates would be installed in March 2023.

RESOLVED Clerk to ask contractor to install a blue water pipe whilst installing the electric cable at the Cemetery.

365/23 CEMETERY TRACTOR

RESOLVED Cllr Wheelhouse, Dye and Cemetery Manager to meet supplier to discuss options.

366/23 SURVEY TO BE CARRIED OUT IN CONNECTION WITH ASH CRESCENT PLAY AREA

RESOLVED to change the survey to cover all play areas in the Parish. What do residents want to see in their play areas. Deferred to the next meeting to schedule a

date for the survey to be circulated.

367/23 DET FUNDING APPLICATION

Clerk notified the working party that they had been successful in the DET Funding application for £7,000 towards Ash Crescent.

RECOMMEND That the grant is accepted and the play equipment purchased is removable. The Parish Council will cover the cost for installation of the equipment of £8,631.00. Handymen to remove current piece of equipment ready for installation.

368/23 NEDDC GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION FOR WARREN CRESCENT

Clerk reported that the grant application submitted to NEDDC UKSPF grant fund had been successful £12,067.72 for installation of a two tower and bridge to be installed at Warren Crescent. Clerk reported that this should be installed 13 February 2023.

RESOLVED noted.

369/23 LANSBURY PARK ESTIMATES

Clerk obtained estimates for play area circa £200,000, tarmac car park and road circa £114,000, coffee and toilet pods circa £187,000 and fencing circa £35,000.

RESOLVED Clerk to speak to Eckington boys regarding the need for showering facilities. Other locations for the play area are being looked into by working party members.

370/23 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT 2022/23 WITH NEDDC

RECOMMEND to approve final costs for 2022/23 maintenance contract with NEDDC totalling £6,295.13 this is a saving of £2,248.71 from previous invoice received.

371/23 NEDDC UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND GRANT APPLICATION

RESOLVED grant application for Darcy Road and Idas Road play areas is to be submitted to NEDDC prior to the deadline of 10 February 2023 for £9,621.80.

372/23 WATER REQUEST AT LANSBURY ROAD ALLOTMENT SITE

RESOLVED not to follow up quote for the installation of water at this time.

373/23 HANGING BASKETS 2023

RECOMMEND that two hanging baskets are to be installed within Marsh Lane. Cllr Dye to obtain lamp post numbers. 6 hanging baskets to be installed at Berry Avenue to Ravencar. 2 hanging baskets for Peveril Road. Clerk and Cllr Kenyon to obtain the lamp post numbers.

374/23 PRECINCT PLANTERS AND CIVIC CENTRE PLANTING SCHEMES

RESOLVED Cllr Clegg, Dye, Wheelhouse and Clerk to hold a meeting to look at the planting scheme in more detail and come back with a recommendation. Clerk to ask Handymen to remove the white glue around the What's on board at the Civic Centre. Civic Centre manager to look into wall art and cladding options for the Civic Centre.

Cllr Renwick left the meeting

375/23 MOVEMENT OF LARGE PLANTERS AT THE PRECINCT NEAR CAFE

RECOMMEND to leave the planters in situ and plant them up including some bulbs.

376/23 BENCH AT CARRWOOD ROAD, RENISHAW

Cllr Renwick received a request from Renishaw TARA regarding a bench near the

Carrwood Road bus stop. Cllr Wheelhouse informed the working party that the request was in regards to somewhere else and this can not be achieved.

RESOLVED noted.

377/23 OPEN SPACES ACTION LOG

RESOLVED noted

The Meeting closed at 8.03pm

Signed

Chairman

Date 9 March 2023