

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE SESSIONS HOUSE, EASTGATE, LOUTH
ON TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2017**

Present Councillor A. Leonard (AL) (in the chair)

Councillors: E. Ballard JP, C. Green (CG), D.J.E. Hall (DJEH), D. Hobson (DH), G.E. Horton (GEH), R. Jackson (RJ), M. Locking (ML), Mrs. S.E. Locking (SEL), Mrs. J. Makinson-Sanders (JMS), Mrs. M. Ottaway MBE (MO), L.M. Stephenson (LMS), F.W.P. Treanor (FWPT) and Mrs. P.F. Watson (PFW)

Councillors not present: Mrs. D. Blakey (DB), Mrs. S. Crew (SC), J. Garret (JG), D. Turner (DT) and D.E. Wing (DEW), Mrs. L. Harrison-Wiseman (LHW), Mrs. J. Speed (JS)

The Town Clerk, Mrs. L.J. Blankley and her Secretary, Mrs. L.M. Phillips were also present.

294. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. DB, Mrs. SC, JG, DT, DEW, Mrs. LHW and Mrs. JS.

295. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman had no remarks to make.

296. Declarations of Interest

- a. Cllr. Mrs. JMS – agenda item 6 – as a member of ELDC and agenda item 11 – as a member of the Hubbard's Hills Trust.
- b. Cllrs. RJ and GEH – agenda item 6 – as members of ELDC.
- c. Cllr. AL – agenda item 11 – as a member of the Hubbard's Hills Trust.
- d. Cllr. Mrs. PFW – any item from or relating to ELDC.

297. Minutes

Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. SEL, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. MO it was **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2017.

298. Town Clerk's Report on Matters Outstanding

The Town Clerk remarked that the closing date for the Maintenance Foreman's vacancy was Thursday 5th October and some applications had been received. She also reported that the young Cemetery work placement had decided that the Cemetery was not for him and was no longer attending at the Cemetery. Finally, the Town Clerk wondered if she might be permitted to send Mr. Lyon to the Louth in Bloom Awards Ceremony to represent the Council and the Cemetery's individual entry into the competition. Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. MO, seconded by Cllr. CG it was **RESOLVED** to support this and to reimburse him for petrol, if needed.

299. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following correspondence and following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. JMS, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. MO it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr. Mrs. EB write to Cllr. Marsh to express the Council's displeasure and invite him to explain what is going on:

- a. **From:** Safe and Sound **Re:** Withdrawal from CCTV refurbishment project and analogue maintenance.

300. Publications

The Committee noted that the following publications had been received:

- a. Informing Burial and Cremation Services Autumn 2017
- b. Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities report of the Executive Committee 2016/17

301. Louth Lions

The Committee considered accepting a donation of up to £500 from Louth Lions to extend the Meridian Orchard at Louth Cemetery. Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. JMS, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. SEL it was **RESOLVED** that the kind offer should be accepted but Town Clerk and Chairman/Vice Chairman should

first visit the Cemetery to decide how much money would be needed, as it was not anticipated that the whole £500 would be needed.

302. Market Testing

Following a proposal by Cllr. CG, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. EB it was **RESOLVED** that market testing of the following services, to ensure value for money, should be carried out, if appropriate:

- a. Contracted Out Grass Cutting at Cemetery
- b. Cemetery Equipment provision and servicing
- c. Cleaning Services (Sessions House, Cemetery, Town Assets)
- d. Floral Watering (Pending Floral Group schemes 2018)

303. Dumper Truck

A proposal by Cllr. Mrs. EB, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. MO to have the dumper truck auctioned off was opposed by a vote of the Committee. Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. EB, seconded by Cllr. CG it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr. GEH be given delegate authority to put the dumper truck out to tender. However, should the cost of the required advert be £100 or above he should bring the item back for approval.

304. Old Mill House

The Town Clerk reported that the time scale set at the time of the last resolution on this issue had now expired. She was waiting for feedback. Following a proposal by Cllr. LMS, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. JMS it was **RESOLVED** to approve payment for legal advice to bring the account up to date of £946.00 plus VAT.

305. Next Meeting

The Committee noted that the date of the next scheduled meeting was 7th November 2017.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Signed _____ (Chairman)

Dated _____