

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PARISH OFFICE ON TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT** Councillors Donna Griggs, Conrad Oatey, Mel Roper (Chair), Kevin Shaw, Liz Taylor

The Deputy Clerk Sue Lewis and Clerk Neil Lambert were also present

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllrs Lorna Clark, Marie Males, Peter Rapley and Glennis Robinson reasons agreed and approved.

**17/AME/08 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Permission was requested to add an additional item to the Agenda at the end of Ongoing Projects – Woodgate View Footpath - Agreed

**17/AME/09 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None

**17/AME/10 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES DATED 16<sup>th</sup> MAY 2017 NOT ON THE AGENDA – FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

17/AM/03 – Hanging Baskets. The Deputy Clerk reported that they should be up by the end of this week or the beginning of next week at the latest as Plantscape are behind in their schedule. It was agreed that the Clerk request extra watering at the end of the season to compensate for the lateness of the baskets going up.

**17/AME/11 TO RECEIVE A REQUEST FROM SKYLA K9 DOG TRAINING TO USE MEADOW PARK ON A SUNDAY MORNING**

The request was agreed in principle as long as the Dog Trainer monitors the dogs and that they clean up after the dogs, it was agreed that this arrangement be reviewed after 3 months and also to enquire if they will be charging for the training and if so suggest that the Dog Trainer makes a donation to Friends of Meadow Park.

**17/AME/12 TO REVIEW LITTER BINS AROUND THE VILLAGE**

The Chair reported that she had asked for this item to be on the Agenda as some of the bins were in a 'shocking state'.

Following a discussion it was agreed that Rushcliffe Borough Council/Streetwise be contacted and establish which bins they own and if there is anything they can do to help the Parish Council replace them. Item to be added to 'Ongoing Projects'

**17/AME/13 TO REVIEW PROGRESS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR ONGOING PROJECTS IN RELATION TO:**

**Parking** – The Deputy Clerk reported that Planning Permission had now been received for the Gotham Road Car Park along with certain conditions which were outlined in Cllr Jeff Jones' letter. It was agreed that quotations can now be sought to include the conditions and the removal of the old fencing and blue shelter which is to be returned to the Parish Council.

**Meadow Park**

- A verbal quotation of £1500 has been received from Richard Jenks for the cutting of Meadow Park and we await for the written one.
- The widening of the gate on Bateman Road is still ongoing.

- An email had been received from John Roulstone requesting the use of the Parish Council tractor and driver to help plough part of the willow beds for planting of various types of willow. This request was agreed in principle if the Parish Council agree that the ground is suitable at the time of ploughing.

**Rest Garden – Shelter** - The shelter has now been fitted and several favourable comments have been received. Work is now required on the edging and resurfacing of the footpath. It was agreed quotations be sought for this work.

**Workshop Extension** – A quotation had been received from Kenway Construction in the sum of £6,597.00 for making good the areas to the side and rear of the workshop. It was agreed that Cllr Jeff Jones request a breakdown of the quotation with the priority to sort out the path before winter.

**Closed Churchyard** – Nothing to report

### **Play Equipment**

- a) **Skate Park** - Cllr Kevin Shaw has contacted the young lad who had previously emailed requesting a photograph.
- b) **Picnic Benches** – It was agreed that a small sub-committee be set up of Cllrs Mel Roper, Donna Griggs, Conrad Oatey, Kevin Shaw and that a meeting be arranged with Felicity to discuss the plans.
- c) **Bridge/walkway from Recreation Ground to Meadow Park** - the Chair enquired if the missing handrail was going to be replaced? It was agreed that this was a job for the Groundsman in the winter.

**Burial Ground** – Nothing to report

**Community Boost Trim Trail** – Nothing to report

**Sheep Plank Lane** – Nothing to report

**Finger Posts** – Nothing to report

**Benches** – The five new benches have been received and are stored in the workshop. It was agreed that a quotation be sought for the installation of the benches that are to go in the hardstanding areas and that the Groundsman install the ones that are to go into grass.

**Christmas Lights** – Festive Lighting. Deputy Clerk to follow-up on the emails sent to Festive Lighting. Cllr Kevin Shaw suggested that Cllr Gary Grayston may be willing to look at the lights in the tree but would need help with the ladder. Cllr Kevin Shaw reported that he had spoken to John Cursham and it looks doubtful that Christmas lights will be erected in his tree.

**Ford on the Green** – Nothing to report. The Clerk was requested to contact Rushcliffe Borough Council again and push for a reply with regard to the bollard.

**Sheepwash Brook** – Mr Alan Johnstone who lives on the bottom of Brookside has requested permission to dig out the silt from the brook that runs along the bottom of his property. It was agreed that he does not need permission to do this but would be advised to contact Nottinghamshire County Council Highways as he may be obstructing the highway

**Woodgate View Footpath** – Cllr Conrad Oatey reported that he and Cllr Carys Thomas had met with a representative of Davidsons Homes a few weeks ago with regard to a footpath from Woodgate View down to railway line/ridge line. Davidsons have now agreed to this and proposed that a mown footpath go from the far corner of the Woodgate site on to Woodgate Road just after Railway Bridge with a kissing gate. Davidsons are happy to do this at their expense provided we can get consent from Highways and Rights of Way Officer.

**17/AME/14**      **TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING –  
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1. Plantscape – Notification that the lamp posts have been tested for the hanging baskets – noted
2. Nottinghamshire County Council – Road Closure Notice for West Leake Road - Noted

**17/AME/15**      **QUESTIONS TO CHAIRMAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER  
SECTION 1U.**

There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 9.02pm