

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PARISH OFFICE ON TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT** Councillors Sarah Budzik, Conrad Oatey, Peter Rapley, Mel Roper (Chair), Kevin Shaw, Len Simmons, Liz Taylor, Lesley Way

The Clerk Neil Lambert, Cllr Donna Griggs and one member of the public were also present

**19/01**            **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Lynn Forsyth reasons given and approved

**19/02**            **Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda**

None

**19/03**            **Chairman's Announcements –**

- Outdoor Gym in use. We would welcome any comments and feedback such as one already received requesting a swing be installed for adults.
- The Chairman requested an item be added to 19/05 to discuss headstone at Burial Ground - Agreed

**19/04**            **To Report any Matters Arising from Minutes of the Meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (not on the agenda – for information only)**

None

**19/05**            **To Consider Various Matters for Action:-**

- **Refurbishment of path in Church Yard** – quotation attached – It was agreed to accept the quotation for £1150 plus VAT to make the path safe.
- **Arranging survey of users and capacity of Car Parks** – The previous survey was outlined and it was agreed to plan a new survey for September after the School holidays including both vehicle observation and interviews with drivers. Cllr Liz Taylor volunteered and other members were asked to express an interest.
- **Planning which (bench) seats be replaced this year** – Cllrs were asked to look around the village and comment back where they think new seats can be located for example outside the Pinfold, Station Road and Gotham Road were mentioned.
- **Installing a “No Dogs” sign at the Burial Ground** – Following discussion about the effectiveness and enforcement issues it was agreed not to install a sign but that we should try to educate dog owners to control their dogs and bin the poo possibly with an article in the Newsletter and vets.

- possibility of space for Water Fountain near Public Toilets – Cllr Conrad Oatey and the Clerk explained the possibility of more space being available adjacent to the toilets where a water fountain could be installed for public use. The Clerk was asked to expedite installation.
- **Laser Etchings on Headstones at Burial Ground** - Following discussion it was agreed that laser etching of a monochrome face only portrait of the deceased would be acceptable but not a photograph.

**19/06**      **To Receive a Request for Various Matters to be discussed from Cllr Sara Budzik – (paper copy of email attached)**

A number of issues were raised and considered resulting in the headlines below:

1. We will attempt a further poster campaign for binning of dog poo. Cllr Kevin Shaw would seek information from elsewhere in the Borough for any successful tactics.
2. Clerk was asked to bring an item regarding prices for emptying bins to a future agenda.
3. It is anticipated that the new communications co-ordinator role will include publicising the new council, social media and on-line survey for residents to offer ideas.
4. Speeding traffic in the village – Will be discussed at the Full Council meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> June and representation made to the County Council through Andy Brown.
5. At the future planning event on 2<sup>nd</sup> July consideration will be given to Youth Activities possibly including painting the Skate Park.
6. It is anticipated that the Environment Co-ordinator will consider community gardens and aspects of the village ahead of entries in to competitions such as Best Kept Village. Cllr Lesley Way showed a leaflet about 'Wild Life Friendly' gardens and a possible opportunity to attract a speaker from Sheffield University. It was felt some places and spaces around the village could be used to trial new planting ideas but not roadside verges. There may be a need to recruit more volunteers and consider future year's budget expenditure.
7. The History Society are in need of new members who may also be able to publicly exhibit archives.
8. Recycling matters will appear on a future agenda with an input from Cllr Chris Mulligan.
9. Artwork will be considered at the planning event on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

10. A traders market is being developed.

**19/07** **To Report Correspondence Received since the Last Meeting – for information only**

1, Nottinghamshire County Council/Via – Public Paths on Arable Land, noted and a copy supplied to Cllr Liz Taylor.

**19/08** **Questions to Chairman (in accordance with Standing Order 1u)**

There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

DRAFT